



Somewhere around the city we have heard our water supply is not sufficient to furnish another wading or swimming pool if one could be built on the High School ground as recently talked of. We wonder if this could be true? And if it is true why was so much money placed in the hole in the ground to hold more water than the high tank contains. With all the new homes built and being built we have an idea that water capacity is about to the limit and if so, let's not be caught minus water for all necessary purposes and a surplus in case of fires. This rumor is called to the attention of the Mayor and City Council.

The young ladies who are taking the census of the city under the direction of the Junior Chamber of Commerce are finding many of the householders are refusing to give certain information requested, believing it is none of the public's business what they have in their house or their kitchen. When the announcement was made that a census was to be taken it was supposed to be a census of inhabitants, but from the form that we have before us it seems that some things requested are personal and nobodys business. However, you don't have to answer the questions that might be embarrassing.

Some like 'em fat, some like 'em lean, we like 'em anyway, long or short, and with plenty of back ground as well as front.

We have an idea that the rights of the public are being infringed on by some who are having the curb painted white and in black letters over the white such as reserved for police cars, for ambulance, for taxi. None of these people have any particular right to reserve parking space and if the space is open it is yours for the taking.

Miss Mildred Bradley sends us a card from Miami, Fla., where she will be located for the next five weeks. Last Friday she broadcast her program from St. Augustine and the station was located in the famous "Fountain of Youth." She is working out of Washington, D. C., under the Federal Entertainment Program.

The editor's paragraphs are few and far between this time, is trying to find readable news to fill the columns has kept him more than busy. Maybe it is better than as no one can be offended by a blank space.

It was whispered quietly that a dictaphone had been discovered in Governor Stark's office at Jefferson City, which is hard to believe. If true we trust those interested got an ear full and a belly full at the same time. Governor Stark is not a pussfoot and if anyone wants to know what he thinks on public affairs we have an idea they can get it first hand by asking.

Good for our neighbor, Chaffee. The assets of the closed First National Bank has been purchased by G. I. Hope, of St. Louis, who has asked citizens, and business men to call a meeting with a view to subscribing stock in a new bank. Then a movement is on foot to secure a branch of a shoe factory. The Standard trusts both propositions will materialize.

The popular objection to Government and State agencies that are being scattered over the landscape is the lack of masculine administration. Practically all the set-ups are in the hands of girls, too many of whom really are not in need of work. As for our state departments in Jefferson City, they look like headquarters for beauty conventions. It is a sad thing, we insist, when masculine help is at such a discount. It is more than sad—it is a serious thing for our social and economic structure when young men who are just starting out, or older men who have families to support, discover that in competition with good looking girls they stand but a sorry show for positions that are to be filled. Unless there is a change from this trend away from men it is only a question of time until all our road overseers, all places of our police forces, and all the offices in our standing army will be held by women. The time has come to call a halt on this evil.—Paris Appeal.

Dr. Jones said to a young lady patient: "All you need is a little sun and air." The young lady replied: "Oh, doctor, but I am not married."

Mrs. Bill Baker entertained her bridge club, Wednesday afternoon at her home on Prosperity street.

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U. S. Snagboat Engineer Found Shot To Death

Poplar Bluff, Mo., March 22.—Miss Lucille Golden, 25-year-old divorcee of Walnut Ridge, Ark., was held in jail here today while authorities investigated the killing at a houseboat here yesterday of John Coxey, 60, Government snagboat engineer.

Coxey died at the houseboat where he made his home three hours after being found in a critical condition by Miss Golden, after she returned from a neighborhood store where she had gone after provisions.

Miss Golden said Coxey held a pistol and was lying unconscious in a pool of blood.

Coroner Grover Greer, after conducting autopsy, said he is confident Coxey was murdered despite the expressed belief of Miss Golden that he ended his own life.

State highway patrolmen made tests to discover whether any powder burns appeared on

Coxey's hand or head where the bullet entered. They found none, they said. In her cell at the jail here, Miss Golden said Coxey had begged her to marry him but that she told him he was too old. "He was extremely jealous of other men," she said, and added that "I was true to him and I came up from Walnut Ridge where I live to be with him each week end." She denied he had been murdered.

Coxey had been employed on the snag boat, "Harve Goodwin," for 15 years. The boat operated between Poplar Bluff and Newport, Ark., on Black River, a navigable stream. An inquest will be held tomorrow.

Miss Golden is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Golden of Walnut Ridge, Ark. Coxey, who had been married, is survived by a daughter, Miss Emogene Austin of Forest City, Ark., and a son, Harold, who lives in Mississippi.

Sinkey Tosses Referee Out and Pins Cantrell

Charles Sinkey, 196-pound, bald-headed wrestler and rope artist, took the second straight fall of the main event in the Wednesday night wrestling matches at the Armory in 15 minutes with a crab hold, after throwing referee Mike Meroney out of the ring on his injured shoulder.

Sinkey took the first fall from Wild Bill Cantrell, 189-pound Toledo wrestler, with the same hold in 16 minutes. Sinkey followed his usual mouth-stretching, rope-reaching tactics and was too much for his lighter opponent. Cantrell, however, dealt him some misery with arm locks in the early part of the first round.

Sinkey seemed to delight in dealing the referee as well as his opponent as much misery as possible. His final throwing Meroney out of the ring was uncalled for except he was left free to exercise any hold he could get before Meroney got back in the ring.

Sinkey will meet Chief Little Wolf, who was unable to get here last week because of an automobile accident, in the preliminary next Wednesday.

200 School Men Attend Dexter Meet

More than 200 superintendents, principals and school board members attended an educational meeting at Dexter high school Monday night of this week.

The principal speakers were ex-state superintendent of schools, Charles A. Lee and President W. W. Parker of the State Teachers College at Cape Girardeau.

In his address on the "Cooperation of the School Board and the Superintendent," Mr. Lee said the work of the board was nothing except to see that the superintendent and teaching force did the proper amount of the right kind of work. He said he favored raising of teacher's salaries in the form of a bonus for summer school attendance.

In speaking of the American system of public schools Mr. Lee stated that Democracy could be taught by the way the system was run, better than it could ever be taught in the formal classroom.

President Parker gave a summary of the pending school legislation in the present General Assembly and the group passed a resolution to support the committee from the Teacher's Association in any compromises they might have to make in trying to secure the proposed teacher's retirement fund legislation.

At the business meeting following the banquet, served by the high school home economics department, it was voted to make the meeting an annual affair. R. A. Harper, superintendent of schools of Dexter, Principal M. C. Willis, Poplar Bluff, M. L. Graham, Stoddard county superintendent, and R. B. McEntemeyer, president of the Gideon school board were placed on the committee to make arrangements for future meetings.

Supt. L. B. Hoy of Gideon and Supt. R. A. Harper of Dexter planned the meeting and Mr. Harper acted as toastmaster.

William E. Mahew, Tharon Stallings and Cletis B. Bidwell attended from Sikeston.

Jr. C. of C. Reports Work On Court and Park

The business meeting following the regular weekly banquet of the Junior Chamber of Commerce was cut short Tuesday night so the members might get to the rehearsal of the musical comedy, "It Ain't So."

Twenty-eight members were present and two new members, Vodel Kirby and Dale Fulton were voted into the organization.

Harold Ancell reported work on the high school tennis courts moving along rapidly. Clay dirt is being secured from a basement of Lynn Wagener's property to give the courts a good clay surface.

David Blanton reported that Hillard Brewster of Jefferson City had been here helping with plans for landscaping the railroad park and that NYA labor had been secured to help plant the trees and shrubbery.

President Frank Miller appointed Dr. Howard A. Dunaway and Paul Menz as state directors

to the state convention of the Junior Chamber of Commerce to be held at Cape Girardeau April 16, 17 and 18. William E. Mahew, Tharon Stallings and Smoky Sutton were appointed as delegates, and Charles Bethune, Bob Nicholson and George Dye as alternates. Kemper Bruton reported work on the census was progressing rapidly.

ANN'S BEAUTY SHOP CHANGES OWNERS

Mrs. Ethel Landess has bought Ann's Beauty Shop from Mrs. Avis Taylor and will operate the business under the name of The Landess Beauty Shop. Mrs. Landess came here from San Diego, Calif., and is a former resident of Poplar Bluff. She will make no changes in the personnel of the shop, and plans to continue the efficient service given the public heretofore.

School's Gas "Stolen" From Private Line

New London, Tex., March 22.—William C. Shaw, 61-year-old superintendent of the New London school, admitted before a military board of inquiry Monday that the gas which apparently exploded, killing 426 persons last Thursday, was taken without permission from the pipe lines of a private company.

Just before he had completed his testimony, Shaw virtually collapsed. He was assisted from the witness chair to an anteroom while additional witnesses were summoned.

This testimony, given by the oldest educator in Texas in a firm voice, came after a 16-year-old survivor of the explosion stood before the court and showed that his hair had been singed in the blast. From him came the first direct clue to the source of the spark that apparently detonated pockets of gas that had formed from faulty connections or equipment.

The youth, John Dow, testified the explosion, accompanied by a flash of flame, came from the sub-basement when a manual training instructor closed an electric switch to a sanding machine.

Shaw went before the board this third day of the inquiry and admitted that the Parade Gas company's natural gas pipe line that passed under the campus of the school was tapped without the company's permission.

He also admitted officials of the United Gas company, from which the school board previously bought its fuel gas supply, had warned him "the board might be using a dangerous gas." He said a United Gas company official told him "you might get into trouble."

Floyd Hunt, a janitor at the school, testified a crew of New London janitors had tapped the Parade company line and made the connection.

"I understood Mr. Shaw gave the order to do the work," he testified.

A pipe line was constructed in a shallow ditch several hundred yards from the school to the Parade line. The union was made in a shallow ditch and later was covered with earth after it had remained exposed for two or three days of line tests, the janitor said.

Shaw testified that until about a month ago when the Parade company's line was tapped the school's heating bill had been running between \$150 and \$200 a month. Since the Parade company's line had been tapped the school's heating bill had been zero.

"Who made the negotiations for taking this gas?" asked Capt. E. Z. Coombes, judge advocate of the military court.

"No one," Shaw replied, brushing at his face which was flecked with tiny wounds made by flying debris. He was standing only 40 feet from the front door of the building when the school exploded just before classes were dismissed.

"Did officials of the Parade company know of this connection?" the judge advocate asked.

Captain Coombes asked Shaw whether the question of making this connection with the Parade company's line was taken up by the school board.

"It was discussed at a board meeting prior to making the connection," the superintendent replied.

"Anything said about the right or wrong of such a connection or that it might possibly be against the law?" asked Captain Coombes.

"We were a unit in deciding to make the connection," the witness replied, adding that five of the seven members of the school board were present at the meeting.

Shaw admitted that after the connection with the Parade company's lines had been made that the board had talked with United Gas company officials and asked them to leave a skeleton connection at the building so a connection for service could be made within an hour or so.

Delbert Clark, field foreman of the Parade Gas company, the first witness to disclose the unauthorized connection, said it is a flat policy of his company to sell no gas and that it is his duty to cut connections for such service. He said he knew of no connection with the New London school, the largest rural school in the world, and had he known of such, he said, he would have cut the line.

Shaw, who wore a dark brown suit and had walked unsteadily to the witness chair, assisted by a friend, had been in seclusion over the week-end. His 17-year-old

son, Clifton, was among the victims.

He testified that Parade company officials had told him during a discussion of a gas supply for the school that if he connected with the company lines he was liable to be cut loose from them anytime.

"Did they absolutely forbid you?" asked Captain Coombes.

"No, but they didn't tell me to do so."

"That was your understanding (Coxey as long as you didn't get caught tapping the line)?"

"That's about the situation. I want to make this clear. They didn't give me permission, but they were not averse."

Dow, the first witness Monday, gave the first clew to the spark that set off the bomb that was the big school building. The youth said he was working in the manual training classroom on the first floor of the building. A trap door in the classroom opened directly to the sub-basement. Beside this trap door were several electric switches to apparatus in the workroom.

"Prof. Leo Butler, our instructor, reached for the switch to turn on the sanding machine," Dow testified. "As he closed the switch the explosion occurred."

"The explosion seemed to come right out of the trap door. I saw a big flash of flame for an instant and it came right out of that door."

Butler was killed. Dow stood before the court and showed that his hair had been singed.

Of the 426 bodies taken from the building none except that of Butler showed evidence of being exposed to fire.

As Dow concluded, Prof. E. P. Schock, chemistry professor at the University of Texas, an expert on explosives and one of the two civilian members of the military board, leaned forward and said:

"This is the connecting link. This is the testimony that we have been needing."

E. W. Reagan, a member of the New London school board, testified that churches in this East Texas oil field district obtained a free gas supply by tapping pipelines of the Parade Gas company.

"Do you know of any churches using this gas?" Captain Coombes asked.

"Yes, the Baptist and Methodists at London," Reagan replied.

Reagan testified he attended the meeting at which the school board approved tapping the Parade company's line for school use and recalled that "they said it would be just as safe as any gas."

"What did Superintendent Shaw say about arranging this connection?" the judge advocate asked.

"He said it would be all right," Reagan replied.

Captain Coombes announced that Superintendent Shaw would not be recalled to the witness stand.

"Shaw was dangerously near a stroke when we allowed him to step down," the judge advocate said. "I believe we gathered most of the material facts he had to offer and further questioning should be spared him."

Harold Evans, an instructor in general science, testified he did not believe "false economy" prompted the school board to change the gas line connection.

"We saw the gas burning up in flares and going to waste," he said. "Other people around us were burning it. So we figured why shouldn't we."

"My belief is the school board and Shaw did what they thought was best. They always told me—when I was sports coach—always to buy firsts and never seconds. They said nothing was too good for our boys. In changing to the Parade gas, they firmly believed it was just as good."

The theory the explosion might have been caused by a mixture of chemicals in the school laboratory was disposed of by Dr. T. R. Duran, principal of the institution.

"All the chemicals in the building could not have produced an explosion capable of destroying the building," he said.

Last of the 426 dead were identified, most of them already buried Monday in the red clay of the countryside after two days of almost continuous, individual services that required the help of 60 East Texas ministers. One couple, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. York, attended a second funeral Monday for their daughter, Dale. They buried a mangled little boy Saturday, thinking it was theirs. It was a mistake.

60 Report for Track and Spring Football

More than 60 high school boys responded this week to Coach William E. Mahew's call for track and football candidates. The track candidates are getting in shape for a triangular meet next Friday, April 2, at Charleston along with Matthews, while the football boys are getting exercises in the fundamentals of line work and ball handling.

Among the track men reporting are Charles Rushing in discus and shot, Moore Greer in the broad jump, Norval Crowe in the hurdles, Charles Tanner in the pole vault, G. B. Greer in the dashes and Jesse Cotton in the middle distance runs.

Letter men in football reporting for spring practice are Mack Roberts, Charles Beal, John Raymond Shuppert, Woodrow Gwaltney, Paul David Allen, Sherman Grant, Gene Grant, Bobby Dover, Paul Bowman, Marvin Wyatt, Charles Tanner, and Bob Matthews, all juniors. Sophomore letter men Harold Swanogan and Buddie Aldridge, and Billy Golliday, freshman, are also reporting.

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State Health Units for Southeast Missouri

The Emergency Rehabilitation under the State Health Department has Dr. J. W. Williams in Southeast Missouri to establish four units to combat disease that might follow the high waters of a few weeks ago. Headquarters for these units will be established at Sikeston which is the most centrally located and where a laboratory will be established to make test of germs, and other like tests.

Sikeston will furnish office rooms and one clerk and the State balance of help such as trained nurses, two for each county. A trained sanitary engineer, and such other personnel as may be needed for the work.

This emergency precautionary work is to be gotten under way at once in order to combat malaria, typhoid, and other outbreaks that might follow the overflow sections of Southeast Missouri when the summer hot weather arrives.

Dr. Williams stated the Government hospital at Hot Spring, Ark., had advised the Missouri Health Department of the great number of patients from Southeast Missouri receiving medical attention at that resort for social diseases. An endeavor will be made by these health units in these counties to stamp out this terrible evil that is taking toll and ruining health.

The eight counties in Southeast Missouri will probably be linked up in the four units as follows: Cape Girardeau and Scott, first unit; Mississippi and New Madrid, second unit; Pemiscott and Dunklin, third unit; Butler and Stoddard, fourth unit.

Sophomore and Seniors Win In Girls' Tourney

In the girls' inter-class basketball tournament being run off this week by coach Mary Kirkendall the sophomore girls defeated the freshmen and the seniors defeated the juniors in first round games.

Girls lettering in basketball this year are not eligible to compete in the tournament, but are helping handle the teams and in the general officiating. The seniors and the sophomores met in the final game Thursday after school.

In the preliminary game between the sophomores and freshmen which the sophomores won 21 to 1, F. Bowman scored the lone point for the yearlings. Other freshman players were: Shy, Taylor, Beal, Shuppert, Holmes, Shankle, Matthews, Walman, Bucholtz, Barger and Schroff.

Montgomery scored 8 points and Cook 13 for the sophomores. Other sophomore players were: York, Dudley, Fisher, Lambert, Raglin, Propst, Skidmore, Hulsey and Fenimore.

The seniors defeated the juniors 19 to 5 in the other first round game. Ponder scored 16 and Harty 3 for the seniors. Other senior girls playing: Russell, Becker, Hahs, Hawze, P. McCoy and Alliston.

Donnell scored 3 points and McCoy 2 for the juniors. Other players: Phillips, Hocker, Matthews, Beal and Bartlett.

Mary Ellen Johnson had charge of the junior girls, Alma Jones the senior girls, and Hazel Gray the sophomore girls.

School News

The "flunker's sheets" sent last week to the parents of students making unsatisfactory grades for the third quarter show evidence of getting results in several cases. By Wednesday of this week practically all the blanks had been returned with the parent's signature.

Supt. Roy V. Ellise was a speaker Wednesday morning at the regular meeting of Scott County school directors held at Benton. Mr. Ellise was substituting for Byron Masterson, state high school inspector for this district, who was unable to attend. Talks were also made by Mrs. Blanche Griffith, state Rural Supervisor and Dean Douglass, state Music Supervisor.

On Wednesday afternoon of this week Glenn S. Duncan, manual training instructor, took his

second year manual training class to Morehouse to visit the Himmelfarb-Harrison milling plant.

The Junior Class of the Sikeston High School will present "The Antics of Andrew," a three act farce, Thursday, April 8, in the High School Gymnasium.

The plot concerns a college student, Andrew Browne, who persuades his college chums, Willie and Harold, to pose as his fictitious wife and mother-in-law, respectively, in order to induce his rich, unknown uncle to continue his generous allowance. But Andrew's scheme goes ludicrously awry. A series of complications and comedy make the play a laugh riot from beginning to end.

Characters in order of their appearance are: Petunia—Andrew's cook

Ida Lou Cravens

Andrew Browne

Robert Dover

Jacques

Roger Fisher

Willie Waldo

G. C. Baker

Harold Hooley

Charles Tanner

Althea Thorne

Martha Jane Myers

Julie Boynton

Emily Gillian

Betty Boynton

Marjorie Hocker

Dean Aocrates Boynton

Melvin Kornegger

Isaac Zimmerman (Uncle Isaac)

Kinnard Dillon

Miss Prunella Thorne

Peggy Donnell

O' Flority

Mack Roberts

Reverend Doolittle

Ray Carl Marsh

Louise Tindler

The play is being coached by Miss Mary Jane Barnett, English and Speech teacher.

STODDARD COUNTY MAN SENTENCED TO 8 YEARS IN MANSLAUGHTER CASE

Kennett, March 24.—Lloyd Irvin, of Stoddard County, was under sentence of eight years in prison today, following his conviction last night by a Dunklin County jury of manslaughter in the slaying of Fred Sulker, also of Stoddard County, last July 26.

Judge J. V. Billings sentenced Irvin immediately after the jurors had returned a verdict, recommending the prison sentence.

Sulker was fatally wounded in an argument over a dice game, testimony in the trial showed.

Mrs. Rivers Tanner is seriously ill at the home of Mrs. C. C. Cummins on Ruth Street.

JUDGE FOR YOURSELF

You, Mr. and Mrs. Reader are undoubtedly interested parties in the welfare of our city. Come with us, then, through Sikeston's only library for a brief inspection tour.

We find the library with only two small rooms, in which are crowded together unsatisfactorily over 3000 volumes of fiction and non-fiction, as well as books of all kinds for children. We find no reading room for the children, and likewise no reading room for adults, and consequently there is no space for current literature, under present conditions it can be open only three days a week.

You must agree that the growth of Sikeston and the parallel expansion of its library, the need for a building is apparent. From observation, we have found Sikeston to be the only town of its size in S. E. Mo. which does not have a library building. These other communities have realized the advantages of offering to adults and especially children, a proper place in which to spend leisure time. They have plenty of space for their books, for reading rooms, and for club rooms in which civic organizations of the city can meet.

Nicholas Wreden, St. Louis author says: "I have learned by experience that through the local library I had access to the state library I had access to the state Congressional library, a tremendously valuable privilege."

There are many other such valuable privileges to be gained from a well organized library, but, if Sikeston is to derive these benefits, we will have to keep up with the growth of our library and the increasing number of people who are demanding its services, by giving it proper quarters.

Does Sikeston need a library building? What do you think?

MRS. LAURA SMITH TO UNDERGO EYE OPERATION

Mrs. Laura Smith entered Southeast Missouri Hospital in Cape Girardeau, Thursday morning for the purpose of having a cataract removed from one of her eyes. Mrs. Smith, who is 87 years of age, was accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Ed P. Crowe and the latter's daughter-in-law, Mrs. Harlin Crowe of Dexter. Mrs. Ed Crowe will remain with her mother until she is able to return home.

ANDERSON HAYDEN ESCAPES INJURY IN ACCIDENT

Anderson Hayden suffered a bruised shoulder Tuesday night when his car left the pavement and went through a fence of the Theodore Hopper farm north of Sikeston, on his way to Cape Girardeau. The spot light on an approaching truck blinded Hayden, causing him to drive too far to the left of the road.

Produce Truck Turns Over

A produce truck driven by Jeff Jones, headed for St. Louis from Cardwell, Mo., and loaded with eggs and chickens, turned over Wednesday on highway 61, a mile south of Benton. The accident occurred about 3 a. m., and the driver who evidently lost control of the truck, was not injured. About one hundred chickens were killed and a lot of eggs broken.

Entertains On Birthday

Hal Sutterfield was host to a group of his friends, Wednesday afternoon at his home on William street, in honor of his 7th birthday anniversary. A cake with seven candles and little chickens on the ice cream and cake, made the party a festive one. Eleanor Jeanne Sutterfield and Ruth Strewe assisted Mrs. Sutterfield in serving the guests who were: Betty and Edward Woelecke, Billy Dudley, Billy Shell, John Kendig, Buddy Werner, Ann Schulte, Eugenia Potashnick, Zoanne Woodney, Ruth Sutterfield.

FUNERAL SERVICES THURS. FOR HOMER YORK'S NEICE

Funeral services were held this (Thursday) afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Bernie Baptist church for Mrs. Harve Myers of near Bernie, neice of Homer York of this city, who passed away at her home Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock after an illness of the past ten days. Doctors had not determined the cause of her death. Interment was in the Bernie cemetery.

Surviving are her husband; three daughters, Velma, Maxine and Montene; two sons, Clayton and Harvey, Jr.; and her mother, Mrs. George Ledbetter of Pine Bluff, Ark.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer York and Mrs. Walter Hughes of this city attended the funeral services.

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The Standard is authorized to announce E. H. Smith as a candidate for the office of alderman in Ward 4, City of Sikeston, in the city election to be held Tuesday, April 6, 1937.

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A reminder of the grave injustice which David Davis, a member of the supreme court, decided the Hayes-Tilden contest for the presidency, is furnished by W. R. Painter of the Carrollton Democrat. Stating that the Davis appointment was made because Davis "was considered an honest man," Governor Painter points out that his decision in favor of Hayes was made in the face of widespread knowledge that Tilden had been elected. The decision almost precipitated civil war. This incident stands as the most noted case of partisan prejudice in American history. It belies the ideas given out that the supreme court is somehow sanctified and adds point to charges that the court invariably tends to make decisions through partisan prejudice rather than reason based on law.

Personal and Society News From Oran

C. C. Myers had business in Sikeston Friday of last week. Myron Watkins and family of Richmond, Virginia, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Watkins of St. Louis were called here last week by the sudden death of their mother, Mrs. Harry Watkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tyler have moved from the Crader property to the Robinson place in the southwest part of town, the Robinsons have moved near Sikeston and Mr. and Mrs. Cletus Crader will move into the house vacated by the Tyler's.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Myers and daughter have rooms in one of the Skinner houses.

Dr. Winter who has been ill for some time is very much worse.

Mr. and Mrs. Burnett Smith and daughter, Mrs. Edmonson of Vanduser were visiting at the C. C. Myers home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Driskill who have been in St. Louis for some time came home Saturday. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Barry Finley.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Sanders, Miss Dixie Hedger, Mrs. Tony Alliger and son of Risco spent Sunday at the Chas. Carter home.

Erie Foster of Cape Girardeau, son Chandlee of Memphis and Dolph Sikes were in East Prairie Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Burger and daughter, Miss Venita and Miss Anita Barnes spent the week end in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Maddox were in Cape Girardeau Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Carter, son Cline and Miss Marjorie Burke and Elvise Stallings of Cape Girardeau were Sunday afternoon visitors at the Ralph Sikes home.

Clyde Poe took Chas. Hager of the Hooe District to a Cape Girardeau hospital in the Heisserer ambulance Sunday for surgical treatment.

Buford Carter is driving a new Chevrolet.

Mrs. Jennings, Mrs. Sutterfield and two children went to St. Louis Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kilmer are entertaining relatives from Kennett.

Mrs. Hale, mother of Mrs. Nellie Frautman and Mrs. Nora Crafton passed away Sunday morning at the home of another daughter in Cape Girardeau. The body was brought to the home of Mrs. Frautman. Funeral arrangements have not been made pending the arrival of another daughter from Michigan.

Wm. Maddox is remodeling his home and putting on brick veneer. Mrs. Cathleen Baty and Mrs. Gladys Cook had business in Sikeston Monday night.

Mrs. Eldridge was over from Benton Monday at the Kiehne home. A large number of friends and relatives from Benton, Vanduser and Sikeston were here for the funeral of Mrs. Watkins last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sikes spent Friday evening at the Kirkpatrick home and Sunday evening in Sikeston.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. McCallister was quite sick last week.

Make Buckner's headquarters for Easter Shoes.

Personal and Society News from Pleasant Valley

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Merrick had as their guests Sunday, Rev. and Mrs. Herschel Asa and son, Carl. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Shelton and daughter, Vera and Lillie Allen and J. A. Shelton were supper guests of Rev. and Mrs. Dallas Wallace and family in Sikeston Saturday night.

Elmer Shelton has secured a position in Cairo. Misses Vera Shelton, Marjory Boardman, and Lillie Allen and Raymond Dame and Vernon Shelton accompanied him to Cairo Sunday afternoon.

There was a good attendance of 75 at Sunday school. This is the largest attendance for several months.

Miss Lillie Allen was the guest of Miss Vera Shelton, Sunday.

Anna Allen, Janice Lacom, and Opal Miller were Sunday guests of Irene and Virginia Stanfill.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stanfill of Gideon visited the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Stanfill on Wednesday of last week.

Bert Stanfill is visiting his brother, Earl and family of near Gideon.

Ross Stroud and Luther Stanfill ate supper with Gale Allen Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Stanfill spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Bohannon.

Jack Tanner of Sikeston, formerly of this community is now in aviation training at Scottfield, Ill. His many friends wish him success.

Miss Nora Jo and Clyde Dame visited friends in Crowder Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Clark and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Williams visited Mr. Williams brother Henry and family of near Buckeye, Sunday.

Mr. Otto Allen has been at work on a house at Oran the past week.

If you want to get in a big egg hunt Sunday come out to the Valley church. Prize will be given to the one that finds the most eggs.

NO BEER IN PARADISE. STATE COURT ORDERS

Helena, Mont., March 22.—There'll be no beer in Paradise.

So ruled the State Supreme Court today, upholding regulations of the land company which laid out the Far Western Montana railroad division of that name.

All deeds to lots in Paradise include prohibition against gambling, liquor, beer and immorality.

CONTOURED CORN ROWS HALT SOIL WASHING

Troy, Mo., March 22.—Last year Wencker Meyer, a young farmer of this county, planted one field of corn rows on a contour, and he is so pleased with the results that he will plant another such field this year. He said that there had been practically no soil loss by washing. Each row of corn had served as a small dam, holding back the water and permitting it to flow slowly down the row to the side of the field instead of rushing directly down the slope.

Mrs. Vester Lipe and son, Ronald Gene, accompanied Wilson Sachlig to Memphis Sunday.

LOCALS

Mrs. Blanche Riley sustained a major operation Monday morning in the Grace Hospital at Detroit. Mich. Mrs. Riley is the former Miss Blanche Matthews, daughter of Mrs. Sarah Matthews of this city.

All Famous brands of Shoes are found at Buckner's. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Homer Shipman Monday morning a son who has been named Edward Paul.

Rev. and Mrs. V. F. Oglesby and daughters, Misses Amelda and Nancy, visited in Decatur and Vandalia, Ill., last week end. They returned home Saturday accompanied by the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Oglesby of Vandalia, who will visit here with their son and family for the next several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Higgins of Decatur, Ill., came Friday for a visit of several days with their son, Ted Higgins, and family. Plenty of sizes and colors are for your selection in Easter Footwear.

Mrs. John Sikes and daughter, Sue, Mrs. A. C. Sikes, Mrs. Walter Clymer and Miss Alma Harris were guests of Mrs. W. W. Kingsbury in Caruthersville, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Robt Lillard of Arlington, Ky., will be the guest of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. D. Matthews III, over Easter. Mrs. Matthews also expects a visit from her brother, Reece Lillard of San Francisco, about the first of May.

Visit Buckners for blue, beige, gray and red shoes.

A son was born Sunday morning to Dr. and Mrs. John Stokes in Mayfield, Ky. Mrs. Anna Winchester went to Mayfield Sunday to greet her new grandson.

Miss Jane Mitchell who has a position in Columbia, Mo., expects to spend Easter here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clay Mitchell.

All kinds of shoes for the kiddies. Black, Brown and White, narrow widths.

John Albritton and Sharron Pharris were in St. Louis Sunday night and Monday, on business.

Harvey S. Johnson was in Oran Sunday on professional business.

J. L. Matthews, who sustained an operation at Barnes Hospital in St. Louis, recently, returned home Friday, much improved in health.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Watkins who live in the country near Sikeston, are the parents of a son born Saturday night, March 20th.

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Personal and Society News From Salcedo

Mrs. Sam Rhineheimer of Indiana is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walt Hutchason.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Springs were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Cantrell.

The Red Cross has been busy the last two weeks distributing food and clothing to the needy people of this community. The Women's Club of Salcedo and Tanner assisted in distributing and Mr. Cantrell has donated a room of his store for the use of this service.

Miss Jessie Stacey spent Sunday at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. J. H. Marshal of Crowder.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Holmes were Sunday guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Miller of Vanduser.

Miss Virginia Ward was the week end guest of her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William Bryant of Morehouse.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Davis of St. Louis, Mo., were visitors of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marchbanks over the week end.

Mrs. Ruby Shoaf and daughter were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Pratt of McMullin.

A daughter was born last Tuesday to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Romine.

The two year old child of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Riney, who died early Saturday morning, was buried near Bell City Sunday afternoon. Their many friends join together in expressing sympathy over their great loss.

CANCER IS NOT HERITABLE. SAYS DR. ELLIS FISCHEL

St. Louis, Mo., March 23.—Cancer is not inherited, it is curable and is not contagious, Dr. Ellis Fischel, chairman of the Missouri State Committee of the American Society for the Control of Cancer, said in an address before an audience of about 200 women Monday at the St. Louis Medical Society Building, 3839 Lindell boulevard.

The theory advanced in a recent article in a national periodical that there might be some connection between cancer and the drinking of milk has no basis in fact, Dr. Fischel continued. Surgery, X-ray and radium are the principal methods of treating the disease, rather than adjustments in diet, he said.

The meeting was sponsored by the Women's Field Army of the American Society for the Control of Cancer which has enrolled 1000 women in Missouri as organizing officers.

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BAR ON RELIGIOUS ATTENDANCE RULE

Jefferson City, Mo., March 22.—Missouri public schools may not enact rules compelling attendance of students at religious exercises. This ruling was a result of an inquiry from Prof. E. L. Johnson, in charge of the English department of the School of Mines and Metallurgy at Rolla.

Prof. Johnson in his letter to the Attorney General said that the faculty of School of Mines had enacted a regulation March 2 requiring all candidates for degrees at the coming commencement of the institution must be present at the baccalaureate sermon. Some of the members of the faculty doubt the extent to which such a regulation can be enforced, hence the application to the Attorney General.

The ruling of the Attorney General, written by Assistant Attorney General W. O. Sawyers and approved by Acting Attorney General J. E. Taylor, is that the baccalaureate sermon is a religious exercise and the School of Mines is a public school, supported by public funds, and that to compel the attendance of students at such exercises by any rule, regulation or otherwise would be contrary to Sections 6 and 7 of the State Constitution.

FIDELIS CLASS TO MEET WITH MRS. STEARNS MON.

The Fidelis Class of the First Baptist church will meet Monday evening, March 29, at the home of Mrs. Charles Stearns, 216 Scott St., with Mrs. Norman Bennett and Mrs. Earl Limbaugh assistant hostesses.

TUBERCULOSIS PATIENTS SHOULD REMAIN AT HOME

Tuberculosis patients need not journey to the mountains of the West nor the deserts of the Southwest to cure their disease, as it can be successfully treated in Missouri, according to a statement issued by the Missouri Tuberculosis Association.

Many patients invest their last dollar in a pilgrimage to a new climate, believing that sunshine and air alone will provide some miraculous cure, the statement points out. Such patients would be better off in their home community where friends, relations, or the community itself could see to it that they obtain the essentials of the cure, which are rest,

SIKESTON MAN DIES OF COMPLICATIONS

Henry Lee died at his home on Kathleen Avenue, Friday, March 19, of a complication of diseases. He was born September 25, 1871, in Perry County, Missouri and farmed until six years ago. He suffered a stroke about three years ago and since that time has been in failing health. Burial was Sunday afternoon in Yount, Mo. Short services were held at the home here by the Rev. R. M. Talbert, minister of the Christian church. Surviving Mr. Lee besides his widow, are five sons James M. of Akron, Ohio, Edward T., Paul, David, Tony R. and three sisters, Mrs. B. C. Wagner and Mrs. Raymond Wagner of Blodgett; Mrs. Ben McCormick, Chaffee, Albritton service.

PIONEER 'HUNTING PAN' IS FOUND IN ARKANSAS

Little Rock, Ark., March 18.—One of the few "hunting pans" still in use and a definition of it written more than 100 years ago is in possession of a Sharp County family.

In a history of the county written by Charles W. Shaver, the hunting pan is described as follows: "A hunting pan was a flat utensil of tin, a foot or more in diameter and having a handle five or six feet long. This was of iron. Hunters placed embers or even burning pieces of wood in the pan when hunting deer in boats up and down the numerous streams.

"One of the number carried the handle of the pan across his shoulder. Deer would come to the edge of the stream in investigate the red glow. The reflected of the fire in the animal's eyes would furnish an excellent mark for hunters."

The paint industry is set to go places this year. It opened the year with sales running 27 per cent ahead of last year. With a fair-sized boom going on in both home and industrial building, the industry stands to profit.

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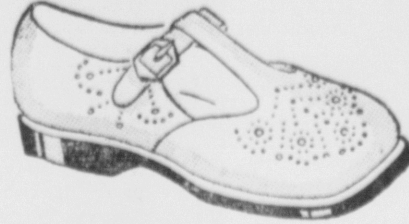


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NEW MADRID COUNTY SCHOOL NEWS

By Milus R. Davis

Just received the state aid apportionment for high school districts of the county, which will be paid about March 31, and is as follows:

Matthews	\$6961.17
Kewanee	4850.95
Portageville	6020.14
Lilbourn	15273.36
Canalou	4595.33
Parma	5843.28
New Madrid	8896.78
Morehouse	6422.48
Conran	4618.28
Risco	8994.89
Marston	3801.01
Gideon	12603.74

We shall report payments to rural districts as soon as we receive the list. This is the second payment of state aid this year and amounts to over 45 per cent of the minimum guarantee. The first payment made last August was 33.9 per cent, making the total for the school year of 79 per cent. This is better than the 61 1/2 per cent of last school year, but we hope next year that the minimum guarantee, at least, will be paid in full.

And the state should begin paying the maximum guarantee as soon as possible, which would give enough aid to districts to enable them to extend 37 1/2 per cent unit for teachers and incidentals. Allowing one-fourth for incidentals, the maximum guarantee would provide only \$675 for the teacher, which is small enough, and yet we are a long ways from the maximum, even if the schools get the regular one-third of general revenue in the present legislature.

Yet, with schools still receiving only a percentage of the minimum guarantee, and with no chance to reach the maximum for years to come, the Post Dispatch still rants and raves, and even suggests that we "apply the knife to the abundance provided for the school."

Yes, they consider that our 8000 rural teachers are being overpaid when the stark facts show that their average salary for an eight months' term is now

only \$496 (Taken from survey made recently by State Teachers' Association).

Some are now asking that more of the state aid be diverted to St. Louis where their grade teachers now receive around \$2400. Just why their teachers deserve four times as much as our rural teachers is something that they have failed to explain.

A proposal, in the present legislature, now considers setting aside 15 or 20 per cent to be paid out to districts with tax levies above 60 cents, on condition that the tax be reduced. We are opposed to this because it will give more aid to schools like St. Louis that do not need it.

If this proposal does pass, the tendency will be to force all high school districts to go under the equalization quota which will automatically force them to put on a teacher for every 30 pupils. Of course, this is right, but we can put on this requirement without using this proposal which has other seriously objectionable features.

Sentiment is fast growing to condemn the overloading of teachers. It is a man-killing nerve-racking job for one teacher to try to herd 50 pupils and the quality of work is bound to be low. The time will soon be at hand when schools will be required to put on a teacher for every teaching unit as outlined in the 1931 Law, or lose a portion of their state aid for failure to do so. Right now, we need at least 25 more grade teachers in the consolidated districts of the county and 2 more in the rural districts. And most school boards are adding them on as fast as they can provide more room.

A move has been made in the present legislature to provide a grade teaching unit for each 25 pupils in average daily attendance. This may be calling for more grade teachers than necessary, but it must be remembered that the work of the first eight grades is the foundation of our educational system and, if done thoroughly, will improve our standards which have drifted too low already.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS ANNOUNCED

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced open competitive examinations as follows:
Junior supervisor of grain inspection, \$2,000 a year, Bureau of Agricultural Economics.
Junior veterinarian, \$2,000 a year, Bureau of Animal Industry.
Radio engineers, various grades, \$2,600 to \$4,600 a year.
Full information may be obtained from Dave Reese, Secretary of the U. S. Civil Service Board of Examiners, at the post office.

STARK WILL PLACE STATE PATRONAGE SOON HE DECLARES

Jefferson City, March 23.—Governor Lloyd C. Stark said today he plans to start distribution of administration patronage "soon," and also said smilingly "if there is any feud between myself and the legislature I hadn't heard about it."

"It takes two to make a feud," you know.

Stark said there would be no general letting down of the bars on jobs, but that certain departments would be selected and "opened up," with due notice to job applicants, local county committees, and members of the legislature.

"I expect to have the first elimination of applicants made by department heads," the governor said.
"In general they will be expected to select two or three applicants from the list, and then I'll decide between those thus recommended. I want to talk to all applicants I can, but of course I can't see everybody."

Heads for departments which

will be "opened up" first will be named by Stark soon, he said.

Stark indicated that "in general" most consideration would be given deserving "outs"—those not now holding state jobs, but there would be "no ironbound rule."

"Where a person has had a position for some time I feel some one else should be given a chance," Stark said, "but of course there will be exceptions in cases of particular efficiency where working of a department or institution would be seriously impaired by a change."

"We would like to have agreement between senators, representatives, and county committeemen on endorsements wherever possible, but some one who was outstandingly efficient and badly needed on the job would not necessarily have to be endorsed for reappointment."

"I don't think anybody in that class will have any trouble getting endorsements, though."

FREE STATE CLINIC FOR CRIPPLED CHILDREN

A free diagnostic clinic for crippled children will be held in Benton at the court house on Saturday, April 10, 1937. The clinic will be under the direction of Dr. William J. Stewart, director of the State Crippled Children's Service, and he will be assisted by a corps of interested county workers. Miss Viola Heaton, State Crippled Children's Field Nurse has been in the county for the past few weeks, visiting schools and homes in an effort to locate the crippled children of Scott County. Approximately 75 cases have been located to date, and many more are expected to be found.

By the crippled child is meant

that child which does not have proper use of bones and muscles for education and work. It includes such cases as cleft palate, hare lip, club foot, bow legs, flat feet, wry necks, and such deformities which may arise from infantile paralysis, tuberculosis of bone or joint, rickets, birth injuries, or congenital deformities. Following the clinical examination, children whose parents are unable to pay for proper care and treatment, can be sent to some St. Louis Hospital, or to the State Crippled Children's Hospital at Columbia, Mo., and their expenses taken care of through the State. This Service is made possible through State and federal funds under provisions of the National Security Act, and by this service many children are prevented from going through life as dependent cripples, and are returned to their homes improved in body and with a better chance to become more useful members of society.

All children must be accompanied by their parents or guardian, and cases under the care of a physician should be accompanied by that physician. While the clinic is only for indigent cases, no orthopedic case will be refused examination, and local doctors are welcome to bring such cases for consultation or advice.

A similar clinic was held in Cape county recently, and 100 cases were examined. Thirty-one cases were from other counties, and three of the thirty-one cases were from Scott County.

A meeting of interested persons will be held in Benton in the court house on Friday, March 26, at 7:30 p. m. to organize a Scott County Committee for Crippled Children, and to discuss some of the plans and advantages of such

a committee. Any one interested in the health and welfare of the people of the county will be a welcome member of the committee, and is urged to attend the meeting.

CCC TO CELEBRATE FOURTH BIRTHDAY

On April 4th will be celebrated the fourth anniversary of a lusty and well-beloved infant, the Civilian Conservation Corps, more familiarly known as the "CCC." The CCC Drainage Camp at New Madrid is making plans now to celebrate this important anniversary with an "open house." All friends and neighbors of the Camp both within and without the work area are cordially invited and urged to visit there, particularly on that day, Sunday, April 4, 1937.

The CCC was born in April 4, 1933, one of the first of the New Deal agencies, and apparently the most universally popular. It was conceived out of the great need of the Nations' Youth as an outlet for the great mass of young men who had grown up during the preceding years of the depression and had been unable to find themselves in a profitable state of employment for their energies and abilities.

The profits accruing to the American People from this organization far outweigh the cost in money. There is the profit to the boys themselves, future leaders of the nation, in the opportunities for work and education, along with the chance to help their families financially during the emergency. There is the profit to the various communities in having these boys at gainful employment, keeping them off the streets and reducing the local relief load. There is the profit to

the states conserved and to the nation in the conservation of the national resources, so wastefully dissipated at times in the past. And last, but by no means least, there is the insurance inherent in having this large group of healthy young men undergoing training in camp life and organization against possible attack from an aggressive World Power, and without the stigma of "militarism" usually attached to this basic type of insurance.

The Missouri enrollment in the CCC did not start for several days after April 4th, at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, which was the headquarters for the old Missouri District and is now the headquarters for the Missouri-Kansas District. Corps Area headquarters is at Omaha, Nebr. No companies were located in Missouri for work until the following Jan. when ten companies were started out in tents in northern Missouri on Soil Erosion work and five companies in southern Missouri on State Park work. From this beginning, the number of com-

panies working within the state rose to as high as 72 during one six-months period. At present there are 63 companies, working under the direction of the following technical agencies of the Department of Agriculture and the Department of the Interior:—U. S. Forest Service, National Park Service, Bureau of Agricultural Engineering, Soil Erosion Service, and the Biological Survey.

The New Madrid camp work is under the technical direction of the Bureau of Agricultural Engineering, with the District Engineer's office in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The camp was occupied by the advance detail on June 29, 1935, and project work started on July 17, 1935. Since this time, the camp has accomplished work with a commercial value of about \$350,000.00.

HIGH SCHOOL DANCE PUNCH SPIKED; 14 ARE SUSPENDED

Sycamore, Ill., March 22.—Suspension of 14 students today followed the serving of spiked punch

at the community high school party Saturday night.

Faculty chaperons at the benefit dance in the school gymnasium became suspicious when 20 students displayed more than their customary exuberance. An investigation disclosed that the lemonade had been fortified.

Sycamore will hold a local option election next month.

Three of 14 students suspended were permitted to return to their classes today and seven more will take up their books next Monday. Supt. R. A. Lease visited the parents of all but four of the students and secured apologies and promises not to repeat the performance.

Railroads have been good customers of the steel industry this year. Domestic orders included 79 locomotives, 21,413 freight cars, and 224 passenger-train cars for the first two months, as well as 1,050,000 tons of steel rails.

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**HERBIE KAY'S BAND
HERE APRIL 6**

Hubert Boyer and Lacy Lewis, who have for the past several years secured orchestras for the Board of Aeronautics dances, announced this week they would have Herbie Kay's well known Chicago Orchestra here for the annual spring dance April 6.

Kay's orchestra is featuring this year the Kayettes, two beautiful torch singers who have been appearing with his orchestra for the past several months in Chicago night clubs.

The dance will be held in the building back of the Marshall Hotel on South New Madrid which will house Boyer's new garage, to be opened soon after the dance. The building is to be redecorated and the floor refinished. Herbie Kay's band is sponsored by the Music Corporation of America.

Mrs. Art Sensenbaugh of Memphis, Tenn., is visiting friends here this week. She accompanied home Mr. and Mrs. John Welter, Mrs. Lucy Trowbridge and Mrs. Chester Limbaugh, who spent Friday in Memphis.

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**2 PCT. SALES TAX BILL
CARRIED IN HOUSE 105 TO 27**

Jefferson City, March 24.—The 2 per cent sales tax bill, expected to produce revenue in excess of \$24,000,000 a year, was passed in the House this afternoon virtually without argument. It now will go to the Senate for action, and its passage there is practically certain.

The vote was 105 to 27, nearly all the opposition votes being by Republicans. Eighteen members were absent.

Introduced as an administration measure the bill received almost united support from the Democratic members. It was prepared at the direction of Gov. Stark, the doubled revenue over that produced by the present 1 per cent tax being considered by him necessary to meet payments of old age pensions and relief expenditures.

Through the passage of the present bill, the State will adopt the sales tax as a fixed method of obtaining revenue. The present tax was imposed as an emergency measure to meet needs growing out of the depression and it was to expire Dec. 31 this year. The new act contains no expiration date and will continue until amended or changed by some future Legislature.

It contains an emergency clause and will become effective as soon as passed by the Senate and approved by the Governor.

The only arguments against the bill this afternoon were made by Representatives Schechter of St. Louis, Blackwell of Hickory County and Clymer of Crawford County. Schechter is a Democrat and Blackwell and Clymer are Republicans.

Schechter and Clymer opposed the bill on the ground that it constituted a tax on the poor, and that increased revenues, if needed should come from higher income and inheritance taxes. Blackwell objected to it on the ground that it was evaded by many small merchants in rural communities and could not be effectively enforced.

A decision by State Relief Administrator Crossley that only 60 per cent of the relief needs of any county will be paid from State funds, and that the rest must be met by the county, is threatening to increase the opposition in the Legislature to the sales tax bill, and to change the contemplated \$10,000,000 appropriation for relief.

Senator James C. McDowell of Charleston and other rural legislators have expressed deep dissatisfaction with the ruling of the administrator, asserting that there are many counties in the State which are financially unable to bear any portion of the public relief load.

McDowell said recently that he would not vote for an increased sales tax if the added revenue would not provide necessary relief funds, and if the counties were to be called upon for additional taxes for relief.

Crossley has sent a letter to all county courts in the State notifying them that the expected \$10,000,000 state relief appropriation will be sufficient to meet only 60 per cent of the direct needs, and that the poorer counties should be looking about for additional means of obtaining money.

**MISS HELEN JOHNSON
HAS TONSIL OPERATION**

Miss Helen Johnson, who came home Sunday from Blue Mountain College, Blue Mountain, Miss., to spend the spring vacation, sustained a tonsillectomy in Southeast Missouri Hospital, Tuesday morning. Jack Johnson went to Mississippi and accompanied his daughter home Sunday.

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1934 Chevrolet Master Coach.
1934 Chevrolet Master Coach.
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1933 Chevrolet Master Coach.
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FOR SALE—6 to 8 ft. Chinese Elms \$2.00 each; 5 to 6 ft. Chinese Elms \$1.40 each; 6 to 8 ft. White American Elms \$1.25 each; 8 to 10 ft. White American Elms \$1.60. Roscoe Foster, Phone 715. 2t-51

FOR RENT—1 and 2-room apartment. 240 W. Gladys, Phone 510. 1t-52

LOST—Black pebble grain leather billfold with name, Wilson Soehlig, in gold letters. Finder please return to this office. 1t-52

LOST—Between Sikeston and Charleston, 6 or 8 shades for electric lamp. Finder report to Lair Co., Sikeston.

WANTED—Housemaid and cook to stay on place and help with children. Write "EPS", Box 111, Sikeston, give references, salary expected. 1t-52

FOR SALE—Red Cedar Fence Posts, 15c each, delivered truck loads. W. L. Newberry, Smithville, Ark. 4t-50

FOR SALE—50 bu. of choice cleaned seed mammoth brown soy beans and 6 1/2 tons of No. 4-A certified Stoneville cotton seed for planting, at my home 6 miles south of Sikeston, Phone 2220. Sikeston. Joe Crouthers, Sikeston Route 3. 4t-45

FOUND—Man's overcoat. Owner may have same by identifying and paying for this ad. See City Cab.

FOR RENT—3 furnished rooms, 1 block from post office. 311 North New Madrid St., Phone 516. 1t-44

FOR RENT—Two 3-room modern apartments, one furnished. Other unfurnished, on N. Ranney. Private bath. E. J. Keith, Phone 236.

FOR RENT—Store room, 131 Front St., Sikeston, Mo. Best location in town. Size 20 ft. by 70 ft. Will remodel. Phone 258. 1t-50

BABY CHICKS—Blood tested, electrically hatched. Heavy Breeds \$7.95. Leghorns \$7.45. Hatch each Monday. BENNETT'S HATCHERY, Bloomfield, Mo. Phone 76. 3t-50

FOR SALE—4-room house and lot located close to town. Very good price. Call 497 or 418.

FOUND—Several keys on leather strap. Owner may have same by identifying and paying for this ad. 1t-52

SEED OATS—We have reduced our price. See us. You will be surprised at the quality and low price. BENNETT FEED & CREAM CO. Bloomfield, Mo. Phone 76. 3t-50

FOR SALE—Mulberry, sassafras and walnut fence posts, 14c delivered. Geo Ederer, Doniphan, Mo. 2t-52

FOR RENT—2-room furnished apartment, 403 North St. 1t-51

FOR RENT—2-room apartment, 319 Moore Ave. 1t-51

WANTED—Used piano for use in Sunday School. Call 137. 1t-52

Mrs. Ben Welter spent Monday in St. Louis in the interest of the Elite Hat Shop.

Miss Henrietta Moore arrived this morning from Missouri University in Columbia, to visit over the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Moore.

Miss Betty Beele Donnell came home Wednesday from William Woods College in Fulton, Mo., to spend the Easter holidays with her mother and sisters.

Mrs. H. L. Harty entertained friends at luncheon Tuesday in honor of her guest, Mrs. Lary Tiers of St. Louis and Mrs. Art Sensenbaugh of Memphis, Tenn.

Mrs. J. B. Rand of McComb, Miss., arrived Wednesday to visit Mrs. Fred P. Cross.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. A. Mocabee and Mrs. Sharron Pharris went to St. Louis, Sunday, where Mr. Mocabee entered Barnes hospital for examination and treatment. Mrs. Pharris returned home Monday.

Mrs. Lon Noll returned this week from Memphis, Tenn., after receiving medical treatment in a hospital there for several days.

Mrs. M. R. Wise of Mexico, Mo., is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Laurence at the Del Rey Hotel.

Mrs. John Welter, Mrs. Ted Kirby and Mrs. Clarence Vogel-sang of Cape Girardeau spent Tuesday in St. Louis.

Gene Ausmus of Centralia, Mo., came Monday to visit his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Beck.

**SOME SCOTT COUNTY
FARM BUREAU NEWS**

Important Ruling Announced
A change in the rules and regulations in the 1937 Soil Conservation Program has just been received at the County Agent's office. Farmers are being advised to consider this rule carefully before they make any further plans for 1937.

The rule which was announced is that soybeans and cowpeas will be considered as an old conserving crop in 1937. Its effect on performance in 1937 may be studied out by farmers according to the following line of thought. The

old rules permitted an amount of land equal to the difference between the conserving base and old conserving crops to be put in an emergency forage crop, such as sudan, millet, and oat hay. Old conserving crops were to have been those crops planted last year or before and now living. Then all the farmers would need to have seeded in new conserving crops, such as beans, would have been only his diverted acres. This essentially was the drought modification referred to in previous publicity and at community meetings. It is easily seen that farmers with a conserving base, whose old conserving crops were burned out during the drought, could come back into the program by planting emergency forage crops in an amount equal to his conserving base and only the diverted acres in legumes.

In applying the new ruling, this situation is changed by calling soybeans an old conserving crop. This means that any amount of soybeans, whether on diverted acres or not, will be subtracted from the conserving base to determine the amount of emergency forage that can be planted. By calculations on paper before any soybeans are planted, it will be found that an amount of land equal to the conserving base plus the diverted acres must be in peas or beans and emergency crops will not be permitted. In effect, this ruling will require that many more acres of peas or beans be planted than the number of diverted acres that farmers will be paid for. The only other course that farmers can follow is by planting such crops as red clover and lespedeza instead of beans.

Committee Protects Ruling

The Scott County Soil Conservation Committee, consisting of Carl O. Luper, chairman, Evin Burke, and Arthur Schiultz, have been corresponding with the state committee at Columbia in regard to the recent change in the rules and regulations as they apply to Scott County. The county committee is attempting to have the recent soybean rule changed back to where it was on March 1.

In defending their position, the committee explains that in many cases this rule requires that more acres of soybeans be planted than the number of acres on which a payment will be made. The local township committees will be glad to explain this ruling to any farmers who do not quite understand it. Since one of their duties is to advise with everyone who plans to participate in the 1937 soil conservation program.

Poultry Meeting Well Attended

Farmers from Chaffe, Kelso, New Hamburg, Benton and Morley communities attended a poultry meeting at T. S. Crites farm east of Morley Tuesday. At the meeting several poultry problems were discussed and explained by County Agent Veatch and Charles

E. Rhode, State Poultryman from Columbia.

Mr. Veatch pointed out that favorable laying conditions in November and December, together with a feed scarcity, had resulted in an unfavorable economic position for the poultry keeper. As a result of this, he explained that many flocks had been culled or completely sold and that orders for baby chicks this spring had been very small. In spite of all this it was his opinion that those who follow good production practices this year will have greater chances for profit than those who don't. In discussing how best to plan the poultry enterprise this year, Mr. Rhode explained that there were four things to consider before chicks were purchased: (1) See that there is adequate brooding space; (2) that the ratio of chicks purchased compare favorably with the amount of hens and pullets to be culled and sold; (3) amount of feed necessary to raise a chick until it lays; (4) consider what has been the most economical number to keep. In discussing these points further, Mr. Rhode pointed out that

**Easter Sunday
Menu
Palace Cafe**

Choice of
Cream of Celery Soup
Mixed Fruit Juice
Chicken Soup

Choice of
Fried Chicken, Baked Turkey,
Swiss Steak, Baked Chicken

Peach Basket Salad
Baked Cheesed Potatoes

Choice of
Corn Pudding or Creamed
Peas and Carrots

Hot Parker House Rolls

Choice of
Pineapple Chiffon Pie
Ice Cream

FOR EASTER**Friday and Saturday
Specials**

Dromedary Grape Fruit No. 2 can, 2 for25c
Dromedary Grape Fruit Juice, No. 2 can, 3 for29c
4 pound jar Preserves, Blackberry, Strawberry,
Peach and Apricot, each69c
Oven Fresh Oat Date Pudding, can10c
Can Figs, 17 ounce can15c
Ripe Olives, 9 ounce can25c
Radio Peas, No. 2 can, 6 for84c
Radio Peaches, halves or sliced, No. 2 1/2 can19c
Miracle Whip Salad Dressing, pint 25c; quart42c
Heilmann's Mayonnaise, pint 25c; quart45c
Charmense Tissue, 2 for15c
Puffed Wheat, 2 for15c
Woodford's Pumpkin, No. 2 1/2 can, 2 for 25c;
No. 2 can, 3 for25c
Marshmallow, 1 lb. pack15c

Easter Hams

Swift's, Armour's or Hunter, whole, regular26c
Skinned28c
Baked Picnic Hams, 4 to 6 lb. average, pound30c
Young Hens on foot, pound18c
Friers, dressed 2 to 2 1/2 lb. average, each70c

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Easter Greetings To All

there should be 35 square feet of brooder space per hundred chicks, that 25 pounds of mash are required to raise a chick of the heavy breeds to pullet size and 16 pounds of feed are required to raise one of the lighter breeds, such as leghorns, to pullet size. He added that poultry records kept all over Missouri indicated that the most economical flocks in terms of profit were those from 200 to 300 hens.

After determining the number of chicks to buy and making plans for breeding them, Mr. Rhode advised that the main essentials to watch are brooding on clean ground and feeding a well balanced ration. Clean ground means ground where no chickens have been for two years. This is important since there is no disinfectant known that will properly clean up contaminated soil.

Since April orders are expected to be somewhat heavier, Mr.

Veatch plans to hold a series of community meetings to discuss these problems with those who have not yet purchased their chicks.

Wage increases continue. Four of the nation's largest meat packers have handed over a \$25,000,000 annual salary boost to their more than \$2,000 employees. They are Swift & Co., Armour & Co., Wilson & Co., and the Cudahy Packing Co. In addition, the International Harvester Co., has announced wage increases totaling \$5,500,000 annually for its thousands of workers.

The U. S. Steel Corporation announces that February shipments of finished steel products by subsidiary companies totaled 1,333,724 tons, an increase of 457,409 tons over the same 1936 month, and the highest for that month since 1930.

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1935 Oldsmobile "8" Coach, radio and heater.
1935 Oldsmobile "8" Sedan.
1936 Chevrolet Master Coach, heater and radio.
2—1935 Master Chevrolet Coaches, with radios.
1933 Chevrolet Sedan.
1936 Ford Deluxe Tudor, radio, heater.
1936 Ford Standard.
1935 Ford Deluxe Tudor, radio, heater.
1934 Ford Coupe.
1934 Ford Coach.
1934 Plymouth Coach.
1935 Dodge Deluxe Sedan.

TRUCKS

1936 G. M. C. Pick-up, low mileage.
1936 G. M. C. Panel, low mileage.

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LOCALS

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Hamby went to St. Louis Sunday, where Mr. Hamby went for examination and a possible operation. Miss Margaret Harris arrived Thursday morning from Dallas, Texas, to visit until Sunday evening with her mother, Mrs. Kate Harris, and sister, Miss Lydia and Miss Audrey Chaney.

Facials 50c at Landers Beauty Shop. Miss Hita Clymer, who is a student in the training school of St. Joseph's hospital in Memphis, Tenn., arrived home Wednesday for a week end visit.

Mrs. Margaret Black and son, E. P. Barnett, will have as their guests over Easter, the former's daughter, Mrs. Kathleen Cassidy of Walnut Ridge, and son and daughter, Miss Betty Barnett, also of Walnut Ridge and son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Barnett of Poplar Bluff.

Dr. and Mrs. Howard A. Dunaway had as guests Tuesday afternoon, Miss Craig and Dr. Ayars of St. Louis.

All Permanents \$1.50. Landers Beauty Shop.

Mr. and Mrs. Lary Stearns of St. Louis, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Hart, Tuesday.

Mrs. Thos. B. Allen and daughter, Mary Emma, shopped in Cape Girardeau, Wednesday.

Lee Hunter, Jr., of St. Louis, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. B. Allen Tuesday, and that night while en route to Hot Springs, Ark.

Mrs. Chas. D. Matthews III and Mrs. Wm. De Krick were in Mav. field, Ky., Tuesday to see Dr. and Mrs. John Stokes and their new son.

Mrs. Chas. L. Blanton, Jr., Mrs. Chas. H. French, Mrs. Arden Ellise and Mrs. Byron Bowman spent Tuesday and Wednesday in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Buchanan and family of Rolla, Mo., expect to spend the week end here with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Buchanan.

Mrs. Valle Sharp was hostess to members of the sewing club, Friday afternoon, at her home on North Kingshighway.

Miss Mary Jane Sikes and Miss Esther Jane Greer were complimented Saturday, with a luncheon given at the Palace Cafe, by a group of friends, in honor of their 15th birth anniversaries.

Mrs. Kate Harris and daughters, Miss Lydia and Miss Audrey had as guests Sunday, Mrs. Louis Houck and son Gibony Houck.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Beckman of Cape Girardeau, and Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Riley of New Madrid.

Mrs. Anna Kingsolving and Mrs. Bell of Malden were guests of Mrs. G. A. Dempster, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Davis left Sunday for a visit to Vincennes, Ind. They will also spend some time at their farms near Vincennes.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Jackson and children left Wednesday afternoon for Jonesboro, Ark., where Mrs. Jackson and children will visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Elrod. Mr. Jackson will go on to Little Rock and Hot Springs, Ark., and Monroe, Louisiana, on business for the Sikeston Lumber Company. They will return home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Higgins of Decatur, Ill., returned home Wednesday morning after a week's visit here with their son, Ted Higgins, and family.

Ray Jones, general manager of a big real estate sales agency of Kansas City, and W. P. Browning of the same city were visitors in Sikeston during the week and from this point drove over the fine farm lands of Southeast Missouri.

W. R. Brown, of Kansas, who has been feeding hundreds of cattle north of Sikeston, has leased ten thousand acres of grazing land in the State of Kansas where he expects to run his herds of cattle. He still has 150 head in the pasture north of Sikeston, and will bring in more in the fall.

Mrs. J. R. Nolen returned Wednesday night after spending a week in Jefferson City and St. Louis.

Mrs. C. E. Felker and her guest, Mrs. Merrill Robertson of Los Angeles, visited relatives in Oran and Bell City, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Conatser will have as guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. George Fenimore of Bertrand and Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Boaz of Parma.

Mrs. Harold Trowbridge was hostess at bridge and luncheon, at her home on Gladys avenue, in compliment to Mrs. Art Sensenbrough of Memphis.

Mrs. Oleda Hammett returned to Little Rock, Ark., Tuesday, after spending the winter here as the guest of her sister, Mrs. E. A. Lawrence.

Miss Alice Walton expects to leave Sunday for Columbus, Ga., to enter the business firm of L. Rains, a prominent architect and contractor of that city. Miss Walton came to Sikeston in October, 1935, and has enjoyed a successful business in her profession of architecture, having designed several of our most attractive new homes.

A C. Barrett underwent an operation Wednesday in Southeast Missouri hospital for removal of his tonsils. He remained in the hospital over night and returned home Thursday morning.

Peggy Happel and Martha Ann Galleher returned to their homes in St. Louis, Wednesday, after visiting since Saturday, with their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. S. Kevil.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Ben Blanton, of St. Louis, and Mrs. Hunt, of Liberty, mother of Mrs. Blanton, will be guests at the editor's home over Easter.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Lathom are the parents of a son, born Wednesday afternoon at their home on Daniel street.

Mrs. F. D. Lair visited relatives in Charleston, Wednesday night and Thursday.

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RED FISH 10c

Whiting . 4 .-LB. 25c

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Sparkle . 4 PKGS. 15c

HEINZ SALE!

KETCHUP . 14-OZ. 17c

SOUPS . 2 CANS 25c

PICKLES . 24-OZ. 19c

FARM FEEDS!

SCRATCH . 50-LB. BAG \$2.69

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CHICK FEED . 50-LB. BAG \$2.89

DAILY FEED . 50-LB. BAG \$1.89

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For Your Easter Dinner

Half or Whole 28c lb.

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Friday and Saturday Specials

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NOTICE OF CITY ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that the regular City Election will be held in the City of Skeston, Missouri, on Tuesday, April 6th, 1937.

The polling places for said City Election in each of the Wards of said City will be as follows:

Ward Number One: At the City Hall.

Ward Number Two: At the Mitchell-Sharp Chevrolet Company.

Ward Number Three: At the J. Wm. Foley Motor Company.

Ward Number Four: At the office of The Skeston Lumber Co.

At the said election, there are to be elected the following officers:

The polls will be open for receiving votes continuously from six o'clock in the forenoon until seven o'clock in the afternoon, upon the aforesaid Tuesday, April 6th, 1937.

Done by order of the City Council of the City of Skeston, Missouri, this 1st day of March, 1937.

A. C. BARRETT,
City Clerk.

NOTICE OF SCHOOL ELECTION

In accordance with the Laws of Missouri, notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of Skeston, Missouri, School District, which is

Scott County School District No. 54, that the regular annual school election will be held in said District on Tuesday, April 6th, 1937.

The polls for said election will be open in the four different wards of the City of Skeston from six o'clock in the forenoon until seven o'clock in the afternoon of said Tuesday, April 6th, 1937.

The voting places for said School Election will be located, as follows:

1. For the First Ward at the City Hall.

2. For the Second Ward at Mitchell-Sharp Chevrolet Garage.

3. For the Third Ward at J. Wm. Foley Motor Company.

4. For the Fourth Ward at office of Skeston Lumber Company.

Said election is to be held for the following purposes:

1. To elect two School Directors for a period of three (3) years.

2. To vote on a proposition of levying a tax for school purposes of \$1.00 on each \$100.00 assessed valuation of said School District.

3. To vote on a proposition of levying for building fund purposes for keeping buildings repaired and furnished the sum of forty cents on each \$100.00 valuation of said School District.

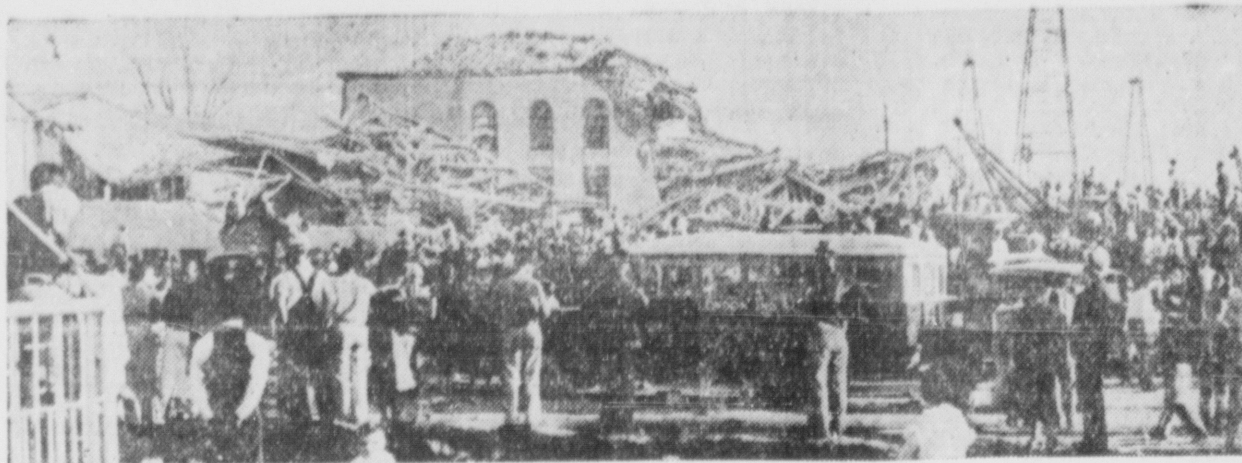
(These are the same levies voted in this district for many years.)

Done by Order of the Board of Education this 25th day of February, 1937.

R. E. Bailey, Secretary,
Board of Education.

Dr. Drace, eye, ear nose and throat specialist in Skeston every Thursday. Glasses fitted. tf

Where Blast Killed Hundreds of Children



General view of the New London Consolidated school, New London, Texas, after the explosion that wrecked the school and snuffed out the lives of hundreds of school children in the worst school tragedy in all history.

BLAST KILLS 500 IN TEXAS SCHOOL

Search Debris for Mangled Bodies of Children, Dead and Dying.

New London, Tex.—Workers are still searching the wreckage of the London Consolidated school for more bodies to be added to the toll of the worst school disaster in the world's history.

Hundreds of students were literally blown to bits in a gas explosion which demolished the richest rural school in America ten minutes before the boys and girls would have been dismissed for the day. Estimates placed the total dead at about 500.

Gov. James V. Allred immediately declared martial law, and sent all state highway patrolmen to the scene, which is 12 miles north of here. National Guard troops were ordered out as the entire populace of the neighborhood thronged about the school hysterically waiting for the bodies of their loved ones to be dragged forth. President Roosevelt promised every aid from the federal government.

At the time of the mighty blast fifty or more mothers were attending a Parent-Teacher association meeting in the school gymnasium, a separate building several hundred feet away from the main structure. Hearing the rumble of the blast, they rushed to the windows in time to see a hail of debris flying through the air and the big building collapsing upon their children.

Mothers Race to Aid.
Screaming hysterically, the mothers raced across the campus and with their bare hands clawed at the debris trying desperately to reach the children whose cries could be heard from beneath the crumbled structure. Nearby oil fields, some of which could be seen from the school grounds, shut down and frantic workers rushed in to try to rescue those who still remained alive.

The terrible force of the eruption sent the mangled bodies of boys and girls flying through the air like they were rag dolls. The brick walls were blasted out. The roof raised in the air and then fell back on to the mass of crying and struggling humanity. Bricks were hurled more than a quarter of a mile.

Dismembered bodies lay a 11 around on the school lawn. Some were decapitated. Others had limbs missing. Some of the children still were alive.

The scene quickly became one of extreme confusion. Hysterical women fainted, shrieked, and prayed, kneeling on the grass.

Many parents, the women either screaming hysterically or silently sobbing, ran frantically from one body to another, seeking their loved ones. There were gasps of horror and occasionally a woman slumping to the ground in a faint, indicating she had found what she had fearfully hoped she wouldn't.

Mutilation of the bodies made their tragic task increasingly difficult. One couple hovered over the form of a little boy, his face and body so mangled and bloody they couldn't be certain if he were their son.

"Must Be Jim," Mother Cries.
"O, it's Jim, it must be Jim," sobbed the woman. Picking up one of the little victim's feet, she argued hysterically with her husband. "See, it's his tennis shoes," she cried. "I remember he asked me to wear them to school this morning."

"No, no," her husband replied, almost happily. "Jim changed into his other shoes when he came home for lunch."

"O, merciful God, he may still be alive then," the mother cried as they got up and hurried away to scan other little bodies.

For a few minutes after the roof caved in, leaving jagged remnants of wall standing like the ruins of a medieval castle, flames shot out above the wreckage. But the building was of fireproof construction and the blaze, having almost nothing to feed upon, soon died out. It was well that it did, for nearby communities have only small fire fighting forces.

The narrow roads to the school, situated between the oil field com-

munities of London and New London, unincorporated hamlets, soon were clogged with a stream of vehicles.

More than 15,000 persons assembled at the scene in the next few hours, either anxious over the fate of their relatives, to help in the rescue work, or sightseeing.

Call Doctors and Nurses.
Every available ambulance, doctor, and nurse in all surrounding towns were summoned by telephone and radio. As far away as from Shreveport, La., came doctors and nurses by airplane, sent by the American Red Cross.

Thirty doctors and seventy-two nurses, twelve of them from the Red Cross, came from Dallas. Accompanying them were twelve ambulances, twenty-five embalmers, and five hearses.

All sorts of vehicles—laundry trucks, private cars, ambulances, and what not—sped to the scene, and were used to carry the bodies away. But, with no one in authority and hundreds of persons wrought up to a frenzy, many of the cars soon were entangled in a hopeless snarl.

Because of this situation, Governor Allred ordered all state highway patrolmen on duty in the district to hurry here and take command.

All available Texas Rangers and highway policemen also were being rushed there from Dallas, Houston, Austin and Tyler. Fingerprint experts were sent from Austin on the possibility they might assist in identifying the bodies, many Texas school children having been fingerprinted.

Find Few Survivors.
Five hundred workers from the oil fields arrived at the wrecked building soon after the explosion and leaped into the ruins. But there were few survivors for them to rescue, and their main work was carrying out bodies.

Later an additional 1,000 men went to work on the debris. In the early stages they passed up the bodies of those obviously dead in the hope of finding those in whom there might be life.

Three hundred and sixty bodies were taken by ambulance, truck, and every possible conveyance to Henderson. Dozens of other bodies were taken to Kilgore, Overton, Ark. Troup, Longview, and Tyler.

While waiting for the arrival of sufficient vehicles to move the great number of dead the bodies were carried from the wreckage and laid in long rows on the lawn.

Mothers and fathers dragged the bodies of still more victims into the school gymnasium until the vehicles came back for more loads. There the children and their teachers lay, side by side, many of them unidentified.

Few Injured Will Live.

The superintendent, who saw the school disintegrate before his eyes, said that of the 770 odd children and teachers believed to have been in the building, not more than 100 escaped death. Many of the injured who were removed from beneath the tons of steel and concrete, he said, were so badly injured that they could not live.

Most of the younger children, attending the nearby grammar school, had been dismissed before the disaster occurred and were out of harm's way. Some were playing about the yard, however, and saw the school building collapse.

Mrs. Evelyn Hooker, a welfare worker for Rusk county, in which the school is located, and a friend, Mrs. William C. Roberts, were driving past the school at the time the explosion occurred.

"I looked up," said Mrs. Hooker, "just in time to see the top of the building suddenly rise in the air. It seemed that the whole building moved up and the walls were flung out. A black pall of smoke appeared to hover over the building."

Clothing Torn Off.
"Then we saw the children. O, it was terrible. Some of the smaller ones, who must have been playing in the yard or were in the entrances of the building, ran into the streets. They were bleeding and crying horribly. Their clothing had been torn off many of them."

A. W. Waldrop, physical education teacher at the school, was conducting a class in physical education on the grounds shortly before the blast. He left the class momentarily to enter the building. At that moment the explosion occurred.

One of the first to reach the scene was R. K. Carr, an employee of the Tidewater Associated. He dashed into the wreckage and carried out the body of a little girl. It was his daughter.

Stricken School Was U. S. Richest

Located in Heart of East Texas Oil Fields.

Henderson, Tex.—The London Consolidated school, wrecked in the horrible explosion which blotted out the lives of hundreds of children instantly, is believed to have been the finest rural school of its type in the United States. In the heart of the East Texas oil fields, it is located in one of the wealthiest sections of the world.

The blast itself is believed to have been caused by explosion of natural gas from the seven oil wells on the school campus.

The school district encompasses some thirty square miles with an assessed valuation of 16 million dollars. The community sprang up almost overnight following the discovery of one of the most productive oil fields known.

Quickly Paid For.

With "black gold" flowing from its own wells, the school plant had no difficulty in raising the several hundred thousand dollars spent in its construction. It is not only debt free but its original value has multiplied many times.

In 1931, when wealth gushed out of the ground for the communities of London and New London, the schools serving the two villages were merged and the present district set up.

The school lies midway between the two communities. The site of the disaster scene can readily be located by drawing a line from Tyler, a city of 35,000, largest in the district, to Henderson.

1,500 in Eight Grades.
The wrecked school had an enrollment of 1,500 students, from the fifth grade to the third year of high school.

The building had been constructed in units, the first of which was built in 1934. The completed structure contained 30 classrooms and an auditorium large enough to accommodate half of the total enrollment.

Equipped to teach stenography, music, manual training, and sewing, as well as academic subjects, it was the proud boast of the community that its institution was as fine as could be found in any rural section of the country.

At one side of the main building stood the gymnasium, and at the other stood a grade school for children from the kindergarten to the fifth grade. The home of the superintendent also stood on the school grounds.

All Are Fireproof.

All of the buildings were of fireproof construction and ample size. The grade, or grammar school, was a two story brick building about 100 by 125 feet.

The main building had a two story unit in the center, about 50 feet wide and 60 feet deep, which housed the auditorium and various laboratories, and wings on either side. These wings, each 30 feet deep and 65 feet long, gave the building a frontage of 180 feet.

From a high window of the school one could look out across a plain dotted almost solidly as far as the eye could reach by oil derricks. Thousands of these rear their smut-covered skeletons from 50 to 100 feet in the air.

Smooth Dirt Roads.

Broad dirt roads, of the sort listed on road maps as first class C grade, are the main highways here. They are almost as smooth as glass, and at this time of the year are dry. Ditches are three feet deep on each side and the shoulders, in some cases, are edged with asphalt or gravel.

Under the scorching sun that beats down with stifling force nine months out of the year, the houses and other wooden structures are like tinder boxes, dry as dust and ready to burst into flames at the slightest spark.

Practically no building is more than two stories high. Many of the office buildings, stores, and even the banks in the villages are only one-story affairs.

Despite the dirt roads and bare earth, nearly everyone in the school district is well-off financially because of the oil.

The people ride in expensive cars, for the most part, to their entertainment in Dallas, Houston, Fort Worth, and Shreveport.

Easter FOOD Sale



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Sour, Dill or Kosher, 2 Qts. 35c

PINEAPPLE
Large 2 1/2 Can, Crushed or Sliced 20c

POTATOES, Peck 49c
100 lbs. \$2.98

RICE, 5 lbs. 23c

SALT, 25 lbs 36c

BAKING POWDER 20c
Large Clabber Girl

Fraziers'
CATSUP 10c
14-oz. bottle

BEANS 43c
Great Northern, 5 lbs.

PEANUT BUTTER 28c
Quart

P. & G. SOAP 43c
10 Large Bars

MILK, 3 Large 23c
Armours, 6 Small

BRASS WASH BOARD 45c

HOMINY, 3 for 23c
Large Cans

Royal Ann
CHERRIES, No. 2 can 23c

Ocean Spray
Cranberry Sauce, Can 19c

Monarch
Boston Brown Bread, can 20c

Taste Good
Apple Sauce, Can 10c

Monarch
Fruit Cocktail, 2 for 35c

Putnam's Coffee, lb. 19c
Putnam's Coffee, 3 lbs. 55c

Monarch
Cocktail Cherries 20c
With Stems, 4 1/2-oz. Jar

Maull's
Pure Preserves, lb. Jar 25c

Leston's
Salad Dressing, 24-oz jar 29c

Fargo Square Tin
Natural Asparagus 25c

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Corn on Cob 53c
8 to 10 ears in Can

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LARD, 25 lb. can \$3.69

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Notice of Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned, H. J. Welsh, administrator of the estate of Louis Wade, deceased, will make final settlement of his accounts with said estate as such administrator at the next term of the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri, to be holden at Benton in said county, on the 3rd day of May, A. D. 1937.

H. J. Welsh, administrator.

Personal And Society Items From Morehouse

Mrs. C. L. Overall and Mr. and Mrs. Keith Brannan and son of Campbell, Mo., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Meyer Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herschell Hellen entertained a number of their

friends Friday evening with a singing.

A miscellaneous shower was given Mrs. Clarence Freese Monday afternoon.

Harve Richardson and family moved into their new home Monday it is as recently completed and is in the East part of town.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Davis report a boy born to them Sunday morning, March 21 and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Landers report a boy born to them Wednesday, March 17 and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Hunt report a boy born to them Friday, March 19, all unnamed yet.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshal Jackson spent Sunday with relatives in Charleston.

Ernest Baird attended the funeral of his brother, Thos Baird in Vincennes, Ind., Friday.

Arnold and Jack Crane attended the show in Skeston Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Fox and

children, spent Sunday with Robert Church and family in Cape Girardeau they were accompanied by Mrs. Anna Barnett. Among the number from here who attended the School masters banquet in Dexter Monday night, were Prof. Louis Meyer Marshall Jackson and Chas. Albright.

Does Bladder Irritation Get You Up?

Results guaranteed, 25c. If not pleased, in four days go back and get your 25c. Flush the bladder as you would the bowels. Help nature eliminate impurities and excess acids which can cause irritation that results in getting up nights, scanty flow, frequent desire, burning, backache, or leg pains. Get buchu leaves, juniper oil, etc., made into little green tablets. Just say Bukets to any druggist. White's Drug Store.

LAIR STORE NEWS

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HOUSE FURNISHINGS

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GLAD EASTER DAY

Everybody should be interested in Easter Sunday. It is not only a day observed by millions commemorating the Resurrection but because of that historic fact is symbolic to Americans as a time for the birth of new thoughts, new ambitions, new vows—new life—new beauties in Nature—birds—flowers—smiles—joys—friendships—love and homes. If I catch the lesson of Easter it is that all of us should look forward instead of backward, up instead of down—pluck the joys that may be ours—leaving mistakes and sorrows buried with the past. Our store extend to all Southeast Missourians that sort of a greeting today and wish for all of you a joyful Easter Time.

ARE YOU A WINDOW SHOPPER?

As the above paragraph may lead to thoughts of things beautiful we follow with an announcement which may be of interest and value to some of you. We have large well arranged show windows. I have observed for some months that many people from neighboring communities drive through Skeston on Sunday and many of them take time to window shop from their cars while looking over business places. We are going to try and induce all such window shoppers to stop and look carefully over our window displays. To make them plain we shall keep our window lights on every Sunday afternoon and evening from 2:00 till 9:30 p. m. Easily read window cards will describe articles on exhibition. Cash prices in plain figures will also accompany each article. Show windows are said to be the "eyes" of all stores through which the public may judge the entire contents. Since we are going to a good deal of trouble providing this feature I trust visitors will extend the courtesy of a look.

Meet Miss Genuine Frigidaire of 1937

You will note that in this introduction we use the words "Genuine Frigidaire". I do that because sometimes people refer to some orphan electric refrigerator (one might say "illegitimate" because "daddy's" name does not appear on it anywhere) as a "Frigidaire". There is only one Frigidaire ladies and gentlemen and that's the kind we distribute in Skeston territory. Of course you can always buy the orphans for slightly less money than Frigidaires cost—but remember when you pay less you actually GET LESS. In as much as Frigidaires with the Meter-meter last for many years it seems the part of good judgment to invest in the best at the start rather than gamble on unknown and often out of date equipment. Play safe with a Frigidaire.

A FAST OLD WORLD

Those of us past middle age can hardly realize what marvelous things are done with radio. For instance we have lately installed a new wrinkle in our broadcasting that enables our representative to remain in a little obscure booth in the store and through some sort of electrical hocus pocus, talk furniture news over KFVS to housekeepers all over Southeast Missouri as well as parts of Illinois and Kentucky. This is a fast age and 'tis rather difficult for some of us to keep up with the procession—but even trailing a little behind the big main show is very interesting. Our stores are on the air every morning except Sunday—10:15 till 10:30—Announcers give short snappy information on our goods and policies daily. On Tuesdays and Fridays of each week a member of our firm furnishes first hand information to furniture buyers. Each program includes several good musical numbers.

CHURCHES

EASTER SERVICES AT THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Special Easter Services will be held at the Presbyterian church both morning and evening Sunday.

Morning services will be held at 9:00 o'clock, the regular worship hour. Special music will be rendered by the choir under the direction of Mrs. Elmer Poage. Special music will consist of: Processional, "Christ The Lord Is Risen Today" by the entire choir, Duet, "Into The Woods" by Messdames R. A. Moore and D. D. Ellis, Solo, "I Know That my Redeemer Liveth" by Miss Leona Kindred, Solo, "I Heard The Voice Of Jesus Say," by Mrs. Ruby Hamby, Anthem, "Easter Morn" by the choir and Recessional, "Alleluia" by the choir. The Special Easter Sermon will be given by the pastor, Rev. Dorsey D. Ellis on the subject, "Behold I Make All Things New."

Special evening services will be held at 7:30. The evening service will be given by the Young People. A young person will preside, another read the Scripture, another offer the evening prayer, two will usher and take the offering and a choir made up of young people will furnish the music. Two special numbers will be given by the young people's choir: "Tis Springtime Again," and "Joyful Bells of Easter." Mrs. Ellis and Mrs. R. A. Moore have charge of the program. The pastor will give a short sermon to the young people.

Children will be baptized Sunday morning. Members will be received into the church at either service. The public is cordially invited to both of these services.

BAPTISTS WILL HAVE ELABORATE PROGRAM SUN.

A well-rounded program has been planned for members of the First Baptist church on Easter Sunday, to begin with an Easter sunrise service at 6 o'clock Sunday morning, sponsored by members of the B. T. U. Sunday school will be held at the regular hour, 9:30 o'clock followed by the morning worship service at 10:45. The pastor, Rev. V. F. Oglesby, has chosen for his subject at this hour "The World's Only Hope". Special music will be furnished by the chorus choir of thirty-five voices.

On Sunday evening, 7:30 o'clock, members of the choir will present the pageant "Morning Light" by Verna Whinery and I. H. Meredith. The pageant will be presented in six episodes, linked together to make the presentation a most unique one. A synopsis of the play follows:

Into the quiet hill-top setting prepared for an Easter sunrise service come the dark Spirits of Doubt to bewilder the minds to two young people who are not sure that the religion of the risen Christ is sufficient to meet the

Dig and Cut Away Their Path to Dead



Rescue workers at scene soon after Texas school was blown up, engaged in hazardous task of bringing out the dead.

Spectator Tells of Awful Blast

One spectator thus described the scene of the Texas school disaster: "In the middle of a ring of about 5,000 persons lay the remnants of the huge structure. The center portion had only a bare split wall at the rear still standing. The brick and stones were piled about 15 feet high in a quarry-like effect. From the ponderous oil trucks to the mass

of debris covering the children were stretched stout cables. Sweating oil field 'roughnecks' turned errands of mercy—many seeking their own sons and daughters.

"In the manner of stevedores, they lined up on the rock and passed bricks hand-to-hand to a clearing. 'Blood smeared an upturned brick. With a shout, the workers gathered available shovels and lights and stretchers were called. An arm, a head appeared—terribly crushed. In a few minutes it was

on the stretcher, carried to a waiting ambulance and speeded to the nearest temporary morgue.

"The scene was repeated over and over. Finally the worst of the shock was over and the men and families settled down to a quiet, organized effort to get out the bodies as quickly as possible—not actually in the hopes of life but to make certain relatives would be spared the anguish of ignorance of their children's fate—which the rescuers knew too well."

After Death Struck School in Texas



Amid crumbling masonry and steel, rescue workers and frantic parents hunt for bodies of children killed and mangled by explosion.

tests of a twentieth century world. As each Doubt speaks of a modern problem, a vision appears before the young people to show how Jesus met that self-same test

long ago. As the light of Easter dawns on the hill-top they discover that, because His ideals are eternal, He goes before mankind of every age—that he goes not only into Galilee as the resurrection angel said but into America and into the whole world of today.

The cast of characters is as follows: Spirits of Doubt—Temptation, Mrs. Arthur Lockhart; Opposition, Miss Lillian Belle Taylor; Hardship, Miss Gayle Colins; Misunderstanding, Mrs. Duke Weidemann; Desertion, Mrs. James McClellan; and Death, Miss Jean Marshall.

Arthur and Marilyn, modern young people, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Moll.

Woman at the Tomb—Mary Magdalene, Miss Neva Mae Taylor; Joanna, Miss Freda Lankford; and the Other Mary, Miss Verneeta Smith.

Angel—Miss Mary Ethel Smith. Voice of Jesus—Lewis Miller. Voice of Satan—Glenn Nicholson.

Three Pharisees—Glenn Nicholson, Arthur Lockhart and Avelle Williams.

Mary, sister of Lazarus—Miss Muriel Edwards.

Martha—Miss Amelda Oglesby. Salome—Mrs. Vernon Edwards. Deborah—Miss Christine Caution.

Sarah—Miss Marguerite Bryant.

Servants of Calaphas—First Maid, Mrs. Glenn Nicholson; Second Maid, Miss Virginia Hulsey; and Lucius, Willard Sexton.

Peter—James McClellan. Members of the cast and of the choir will form the multitudes who will sing the songs in connection with the pageant.

SUNDAY HUNTING MEASURE IN SENATE

Jefferson City, Mo., March 22.—Hunting on Sunday, now prohibited by state law, will become legal if a bill introduced in the Senate today by Senator Percy Pepon of St. Louis passes through both houses and is approved by Gov. Stark. Pepon said he offered the bill at the request of his constituents, many of whom are laboring people unable to hunt on any day except Sunday. His bill prohibits hunting within one mile of any church on the Sabbath.

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America's job hunter is a comparatively young man, according to an announcement made here today by C. C. Chandler, interviewer of the National Reemployment Service, 205 P. O. Building, Sikeston.

This is one of the salient facts discovered by the United States Employment Service in a survey of approximately 6,500,000 persons seeking work through the federal service and affiliated state agencies.

The figure does not include all of the unemployed, since registration with the public employment services is a voluntary action on the part of the unemployed individual.

Roughly 5,250,000 of the total are men, and 1,250,000 are women.

About 47 per cent are under 35 years of age—45 per cent of the men and 45 per cent of the women.

Only about 13 per cent are over 55, including about 3 per cent over 65.

The figures show that the ages of the job seekers correspond closely to the ages of persons normally employed. For instance when the last census was taken as of April 1, 1930, slightly more than 24 per cent of all persons gainfully employed were between 25 and 34. Now 23 per cent of all the persons registered for jobs are in that age group. The figures for other age groups fall into similar ratios.

One of every five persons applying for a job has no practical experience to help in placing him. Many of them are fresh from high school or college. The others are persons who have been out of work for four years or more.

About 350,000 of the registrants are war veterans, the number being small in comparison with other groups because of laws giving veterans preference in some types of placements in public works.

The average age of veterans is 43. The survey shows only 4 per cent of the registered veterans have disabilities, but this information was given voluntarily and the figure may be higher.

The address of the National Reemployment Service office responsible for this area is 205 P. O. Building, Sikeston. The telephone number is 731. This public employment office makes no charge for its services, either to employer or worker.

In our next issue: The third article of this series answers the question, "Where do the unemployed live and what can they do?"



After spending half the night celebrating a birthday party, two young men left in separate cars for home. They drove different routes but as they lived in the same neighborhood, they eventually had to cross their route somewhere. It so happened that while driving at a reckless rate of speed, they collided at one of the intersections. Both of them got out and were about to engage in a heated argument about driving

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while drunk when suddenly they recognized one another.

This driving while under the influence of liquor is a subject that comes up frequently in safety discussions and to me there is only one sound piece of advice to eliminate this type of accident. Here it is:

If you must drink, don't drive. If you must drive, don't drink.

Retailers view every increase in wages as a prospective boost for their sales, says the magazine Business Week. First two months' sales of department stores ran 11 per cent ahead of comparable months of 1936, but optimistic merchants are counting on an 18 per cent increase for March, which includes the Easter business this year. Variety stores increased their February business

by more than the usual amount, and maintained a margin of close to 10 per cent over a year ago. Leading mail-order houses reported February sales at least 20 per cent better than last year, when cold weather cut into buying.

Call Or Send For a Free Household Inventory Booklet

Your fire insurance policy states that if there is a fire on your premises you "shall furnish a complete inventory of the destroyed, damaged and undamaged property."

Has it occurred to you how difficult it would be to prepare such a list after a fire? Many items would undoubtedly be forgotten until after your claim had been paid and you had signed a release!

Make this listing before the fire occurs. And since you don't know how soon it will come, do it as soon as possible.

To make it easy for you, we offer you a special booklet for listing your possessions which points out items that are most frequently overlooked. Write for yours now.

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Without charge or obligation, please send me your Household Inventory Booklet.

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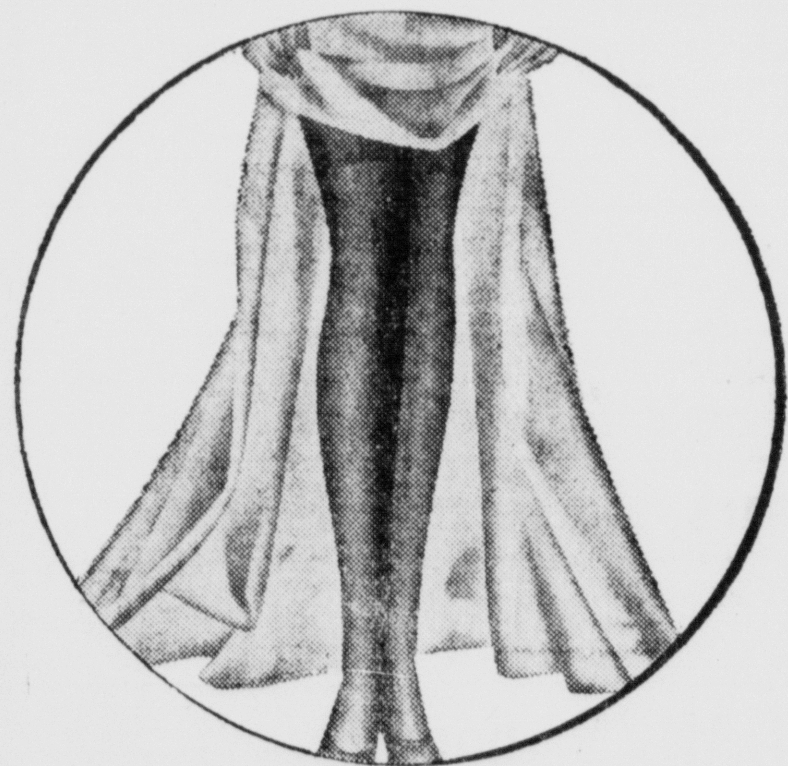
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SATURDAY, MARCH 27—

"OFF TO THE RACES"

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SUNDAY AND MONDAY, MARCH 28-29—



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CHURCHES

UNION EASTER SUNRISE MEETING IN MALONE PARK

The Sunrise prayer meeting to be held by the young people's organizations of the different churches will be held in Malone Park at 6:30 a. m. unless the weather is bad and then the services will be in the Christian church.

The Program:
Bugle Song—Ralph Bailey, Judson Boardman.
Song, Up from the Grave—Congregation.
Prayer—Rev. C. F. Transue.
The Story of Easter Morning, from the Scripture.
Song, "Follow"—Miss Gwendolyn Duncan.
Morning talk—Rev. D. D. Ellis.
Song—Wilbur Ensor.
Song, In the Garden—Congregation.
Benediction.
Recessional—Into My Heart.

UNION SERVICE AT M. E. CHURCH FRIDAY EVENING

A union service will be held at the Methodist church, Friday evening. The Rev. Verne F. Oglesby will preach, and the Methodist choir will sing the anthem "Gethsemane" by George Nevin.

M. E. Church Easter Service

"The Risen Christ", is the subject on which the Rev. E. H. Orear will preach at the Easter morning service of the Methodist Church, Sunday, after which baptismal services will be held for these children:

William Marshall, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Northington; Russell Thomas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Tullman Couey; Sam S. Bowman, III, son of Sam Bowman, Jr., Melvin C. son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Dace; Ellen Marguerite, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Scott; Randol Bynum, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert M. Evans; Donnell Michael and Martha Elizabeth, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Baker; Richard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Reid Jann; Phyllis Jeanne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Elbert Morrow; Joseph Lucius, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bertha.

The musical program is printed below:
Prelude—Christ Triumphant—Pietro Yon.
Processional—Christ the Lord is Risen Today—John Wesley.
An Easter Carol—Easter Bells—Flaxington Harker.
Morning Prayer.
Response—Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord of Hosts—Gaul.
Anthem—When Jesus Was a Little Child—Tchaikovsky—(A Legend)—Young Peoples Choir.
Baptismal Service.
Offertory Quartette—Dreams of Galilee—Morrison—James Lewis, John Dover, Bill Van Horne, Judson Boardman.
Duet—Hark, Hark My Soul—George Nevins—Doris Stearns, Charles Allen Cook.
Sermon.
Easter Carols—(a) Let the Merry Church Bells Ring—Flaxington Harker. (b) Christ Has Risen—Duet—Helen Vera Dudley and Gwendolyn Kirk.
Benediction.
Response.
Postlude—Song of Triumph—Turner.

How Calm and Beautiful—Leon Percipie—Wilbur Ensor and Chorus.
Solo—Come See the Place Where Jesus Lay—Homer Bartlett—Mrs. E. H. Orear.
They Have Taken Away My Lord—Scarmolin—Mrs. Conatser and Chorus.
The Song of Triumph—Morrison—Mrs. Fern Bowman and Chorus.
Postlude—Jesus Christ is Risen Today—Hosmer.

Sopranos in the choir are: Mrs. E. H. Orear, Mrs. L. L. Conatser, Mrs. George Kirk, Mrs. F. W. Van Horne, Mrs. Walter Ancell, Mrs. J. W. Foley, Mrs. W. A. Spencer, Mrs. V. L. Bowles, Mrs. Ruby S. Newsome, Mrs. Fern Bowman, Miss Edith Elmore, Miss Wilma Ragains.
Contraltos are: Mrs. Dellar Mott, Mrs. W. E. Hollingsworth, Mrs. H. E. Reuber, Mrs. Elmer Poage, Mrs. Robert Mow, Mrs. A. J. Goetz, Mrs. Garwood Sharp, Mrs. Samuel Gaston, Miss Virginia Mount, Miss Alma Elmore.
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M. E. CHURCH CHOIR TO PRESENT EASTER PROGRAM

The program of Easter music that will be given at the evening service of the Methodist church, Sunday, will include parts of the beautiful anthems, "The Crucifixion", by Stainer, and "The Atonement" by Mitchell-Shure, and will be sung by a chorus of thirty-two voices, under the direction of Mrs. H. J. Welsh, organist and director of the choir. The services will start at 7:30.

The program:
Organ—Easter Joy—Hosmer.
Fling Wide the Gates, from "The Crucifixion"—Stainer—George Kirk and Chorus.
Sextette—The Green Cathedral—Hahne—Mesdames L. L. Conatser, V. L. Bowles, F. W. Van Horne, Samuel Gaston, W. E. Hollingsworth and Dellar Mott.

There is a Green Hill Far Away—Gounod—Mrs. Walter Ancell and Chorus.
Duet—Feed My Lambs—from "The Atonement"—Mitchell-Shure—Messrs. Wilbur Ensor, Harry Dover.
Appearance by the Sea—from "The Atonement"—Mitchell-Shure—Choir (Acapella).
Offertory—Resurrection Morn—Johnston.
How Calm and Beautiful—Leon Percipie—Wilbur Ensor and Chorus.
Solo—Come See the Place Where Jesus Lay—Homer Bartlett—Mrs. E. H. Orear.
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ATTEND DISTRICT MEETING

The Reverends C. F. Transue, C. G. Bohannon of Cape Girardeau and E. C. Bees of Malden, attended a district convention of Nazarene preachers in St. Louis Wednesday and Thursday. The meetings were held at the First Church of the Nazarene.

Ebert-Kready Honors Member.

A miscellaneous shower was given by the Ebert-Kready missionary society Monday night in honor of Mrs. Kate Harris. The ladies met at the home of Mrs. J. N. Ross on North New Madrid street and later went to Mrs. Harris' apartment on North Kingshighway.

BEN-JONS TO MEET

The Ben-Jon missionary society will hold a business meeting Monday evening at 7:30, at the home of Mrs. J. H. Hayden, Jr., on Kathleen avenue. All members are requested to be present at the time given above.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks to our neighbors and friends for their kindness during the death of our husband and father, Henry Lee. We especially thank Rev. Talbert, the L. A. W.

Class of the Christian church, those who gave flowers and furnished cars. Also the Albritton funeral directors. Their kindness shall never be forgotten.—Mrs. Sarah E. Lee and children.

AUXILIARY PRESENTS LEGION WITH PLAQUE

On Monday evening the Auxiliary of the American Legion held their regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Harry Dudley with a good attendance. In the absence of the president, Mrs. Ben Welter, the first vice-president, Mrs. C. C. Cummins, presided.

A committee presided over by Mrs. C. C. Cummins presented to the Henry Meldrum Post a beautiful plaque made of Balsam wood. This plaque had the resolution that was passed at the national convention held in Cleveland, O., last fall, engraved in beautiful lettering and pertains to the conservation of wild life, forestry, and soil erosion. All members and Auxiliaries have pledged to carry out this resolution to the best of their ability.

At the close of the business meeting, during which various committees gave their reports, a social hour was enjoyed.

The next regular meeting will be held on Monday evening, April 12.

VANDUSER MAN SUCCEUMS TO MENINGITIS

Charles W. Perry, 44 years old, died at his home in Vanduser, March 19, of meningitis that developed after an attack of influenza.

He is survived by his wife, four sons, Bennie, Charles Jr., Jesse and Glenn; two daughters, Ruby and Verna; all of Vanduser; two brothers, J. C. and Jack Perry, of Clarkton, Mo., and two sisters, one of whom lives in Senath, Mo., and the other in Arkansas. Funeral services were held in Senath, Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock, by the Rev. Cox of Paragould, Ark. Burial was in the Senath cemetery, Ellise Service.

Mrs. J. H. Hayden, Jr., and Mrs. Lloyd Rayburn were in Cape Girardeau Tuesday.

EASTER BAZAAR Saturday, March 27

In Matthews Building next to Wallace's Store, N. New Madrid St. Call 139-W or 139-J to place orders for colored eggs. Sandwiches and Coffee will be served at the Noon Hour.

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Cigarettes	Camels Lucky Strikes Chesterfields Old Golds	Carton	\$1.15	Marvels 20 Grands Wings Sunshine	Paul Jones 89c
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SUGAR	Fine granulated	bulk, 10 lbs.	49c
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Pineapple	Standard sliced	2	Large No. 2 1/2 cans	33c
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PEAS	Del Monte or C. Club Sifted	No. 1 can No. 2 can	10c 15c	Standard 3 No. 2 can	25c
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MILK	Country Club	8 small cans or 4 tall cans	25c	MILNUT	8 sm. cans or 4 tall cans	25c
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Embassy Salad Dressing	Quart jar	29c	Soda Crackers	WESCO, 2-POUND BOX Country Club 2-pound box 23c	15c
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All Green Asparagus	Full No. 2 can	19c	Clifton Brand Toilet Tissue	6 rolls	25c
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Mary Lou Dill Pickles	Quart jar Half-gallon jar	17c 29c	Fresh Baked Fig Bars, pound	10c
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SALTED PEANUTS, pound	12c	Country Club 2 Large No. 2 1/2 cans Pears	No. 1 can 10c.	35c
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Lifebuoy Soap, 4 bars	25c	20 Mule Borax or Team Boraxo	16-oz. pkg. 8-oz. can	15c 15c
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Pure Hog Lard	Bulk 2 pounds	29c
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EASTER HAMS	Armour's Star small size	Whole or half POUND	25c
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PICNIC HAMS	Armour's Star shankless	4 to 6 pound each	Pound 19c
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Fresh Ground Hamburger	2 lbs.	25c	Meaty Neck Bones	4 lbs.	25c
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Plenty of Fryers and Baking Hens

Fancy Wisconsin Daisy Cheese, pound	22c	Sugar Cured Sliced Bacon	No rind No waste, lb.	30c
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Armour's Star Sliced Bacon, pound	35c	FRANKS, pound	15c
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Creamed Cottage Cheese	2 pounds	25c
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Bananas, Golden yellow, dozen	15c
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Texas Grapefruit, large 54 size, 6 for	25c
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Potatoes	100 pound bag	\$2.79	15 lb. peck	42c
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Florida Oranges	Large 126 size	Peck 59c.	Dozen 39c
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CARROTS, bunch	5c	SPINACH, pound	5c
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